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PENSIONS FOR WIDOWS

The Principal Subject of Debate in Congress.

MILLS' FINANCIAL RESOLUTION

People's Party Votes Pledged to Either Party That Will Stop the Issue of Bonds.

WASHINGTON, January 14.—The bond silver bill was further considered in the senate today, but without appreciable approach to a conclusion of the debate. Mr. Butler of North Carolina spoke for two hours in opposition to bond issues, and in favor of silver legislation. The early hours of the session brought out an extended controversy over pension discriminations.

Mr. Lodge sought to pass the bill granting a pension to the widow of General Coggswell, but Mr. Allen led a vigorous opposition, claiming that widows of generals were being unduly preferred over the widows of plain soldiers. The bill was finally passed.

Mr. Hoar asked if the Nebraska senator did not pocket $5000 a year, while some poor constituent made only 75 cents a day.

"At least I pocket no more than $5000," replied Mr. Allen suggestively, and added that senators talked as if God made some distinction between the soldier and the general.

"Then who made the distinction," asked Mr. Hawley.

"You gentlemen make it," replied Mr. Allen.

Mr. Thurston, Republican of Nebraska, made his maiden speech in the senate in support of liberal pensions, and eloquently portrayed the services of his deceased father as a plain soldier. He urged that the war heroes have the amplest pensions.

The bill (the Coggswell) instead of having its allowance reduced, should serve to advance the allowance of those who served in the war.

Mr. Thurston expressed satisfaction that his first words in the senate should be in support of a pension.

Mr. Vilas said the senate would certainly show full justice in granting pensions, but he pointed out that certain peculiar influences prevailed, resulting in discriminations in pensions to widows of officers, which bore severely on the old soldiers, and they felt it.

The suggestion of "peculiar influences" was hotly resented by Mr. Lodge.

Mr. Allen disclaimed all purpose of attacking the widow and added that it was only when the blue blood was touched that Lodge grew eloquent.

A motion by Allen to reduce the allowance to $50 was not agreed to—23 to 36—the Democrats with some exceptions supporting the motion and all the Republicans voting against it. The bill was then passed without division.

The Associated Press bulletin announcing the election at Columbus, O., of Mr. Foraker to the United States senate was received in the senate and started a buzz of comment among the senators. Mr. Sherman read the bulletin and nodded his head approvingly. Mr. Brice was not present.

A new phase of the financial question was presented by Mills, in the form of a resolution giving seven declarations of policy, substantially as follows:

First—Against the retirement of outstanding legal tender notes.

Second—Favoring the coinage of the silver bullion in the treasury.

Third—The issuance of emergency legal tender notes in case of a deficiency.

Fourth—Against the interest-bearing bonds.

Fifth—Establishing a policy of the United States in paying obligations in both gold and silver.

Sixth—Repudiating the theory that a public debt is a public blessing.

Seventh—Urging the rapid extinguishment of the national debt and the maintenance of the sinking fund therefor.

Mr. Mills' resolution went to the table until tomorrow, when he may make some remarks upon it.

A bill granting to the Atchison and Nebraska Railroad Company and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company a right of way across part of the Sac and Fox Indian reservation was passed.

The bond silver bill was taken up at 2 o'clock, and Mr. Butler, Populist, of North Carolina, offered an amendment prohibiting the issuance of interest-bearing bonds and directing the secretary of the treasury to pay in gold or silver according to the market values of the coins.

Mr. Butler spoke in opposition to the bond issues.

It would not do, he said, for either the Republicans or Democrats of the senate to evade responsibility by saying that it had no majority.

"I pledge," said he, "six People's party votes in this chamber to either party that will stop the further issuance of bonds; the six votes will give that majority to either side. In fact, either party can have a majority in this body when it desires to pass any law in the interest of the American people."

Mr. Butler spoke of the Benedict Arnolds of finance who were betraying their country into the hands of the gold speculators. He referred to the "wild cranks and fanatical remedies of Dr. Cleveland and Dr. Carlisle," in ministering to the financial patient.

Mr. Butler closed at 4.25 and the senate held a brief executive session and at 4.45 adjourned until tomorrow.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, January 14.—The house spent today in further debate upon the pension appropriation bill. The speakers, with a single exception, were all Republicans and all favored a liberal administration of the pension laws and the adoption of the changes of the existing law proposed by the bill. Among the speakers today was General John A. Walker, who served with distinction in the Confederate army. He is the only Republican representative from Virginia. His assurance of good feeling that existed in the south toward the union soldiers and the lack of hostility toward the pension system was warmly received on both sides of the house.

Mr. Cummings, Democrat, of New York, created a mild sensation by a severe arraignment of the pension office for hostility to the old soldier and a strong repudiation of the speech made yesterday by Mr. Bartlett, who is also one of the Tammany congressmen from New York.

It seems probable now that the general debate on the pension bill will continue for several days.

The pension bureau had ruled that under the act of 1890 if a widow's income exceeded $96 a year she was not entitled to a pension. A soldier's widow should not be obliged to stand shivering and starving at the door of the pension office in order to obtain a pension, and the pensions committee therefore had reported an amendment to the present law, requiring that as a condition precedent to receiving a pension she should prove that her income did not exceed $500.

Mr. Hemingway, Republican of Indiana, favored the adoption of the Graff amendment prohibiting the suspension of pensions until fraud had been proven in a United States court. He predicted that in November next the people would elect a Republican President who would appoint a loyal man from the north secretary of the interior to administer the pension laws with justice and fairness to the old soldiers.

Mr. Arnold, Republican, of Pennsylvania, in criticising the pension office, denounced particularly the practice of calling on Democratic postmasters to furnish information as to alleged fraudulent pensions.

Mr. Gibson, Republican, of Tennessee, who was pension agent at Nashville in 1881, devoted much time to the exploitation of particular cases which he claimed proved the hostility of the pension office.

A speech of Mr. Walker, Republican, of Virginia, attracted more than usual attention. He was agent in the confederate army on the staff of General Jubal A. Early. He replied particularly to the remark of Mr. Hemingway, to the effect that when a Republican President again took his place in the White House, no man from the south would preside over the pension office.

General Walker declared there was a misapprehension of the feeling and the sentiment of the southern people and the southern soldiers toward the pensions for the men who fought for the Union. There was no sentiment against the pension policy of the government in the south, and he assured his Republican friends of the north that the fortunes and pensions of the Union soldiers would be safe in the hands of the soldiers of the south. His remarks elicited applause from both sides of the hall.

Mr. Wood, Republican of Illinois, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Republican of Kansas, and Mr. Pool, Republican of New York, followed, and then Mr. Cummings, Democrat of New York, created the sensation of the day by a short arraignment of the pension office, and an eloquent repudiation of the sentiments expressed by his colleague, Mr. Bartlett, yesterday. He declared it was time some radical action was taken to call a halt on the pension office.

At the conclusion of Mr. Cummings' speech the speaker announced the appointment of the Chickamauga park commission, as follows: Messrs. Grosvenor, Ohio; Keyfer, Minnesota; Strong, Ohio; Avery, Michigan; Bowers, California; Republicans. Wheeler, Alabama; Cox, Tennessee; Maddox and Crisp, Georgia; Democrats.

The house then, at 4.25, adjourned until tomorrow.

SHORT IN ACCOUNTS.

A NEBRASKA COUNTY TREASURER MISSING.

Claimed the Cash Was in the Vaults. But Refused to Give the Combination.

OMAHA, Neb., January 14.—A special to the *Bee* from Elwood, Neb., says: Jasper county's treasurer, W. E. Aldrich, is short from $5000 to $10,000. He has left the country. November 14th the state examiner came to check him up. That night the court house burned with all the records and the county treasurer's bonds. Suspicion was excited but Aldrich was permitted to remain in office. January 4th he was requested to resign, public sentiment forcing the supervisors to act. His conduct was so strange that he was examined by the insanity board, but declared sane. He said his cash was in the office vaults, but refused to give the combination. He disappeared Monday. Today the vaults were forced open but no money was found.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Resolutions Adopted by Englishmen Favoring the Move.

LONDON, January 14.—Sir John Lubbock presided at a meeting in London yesterday which passed a resolution in favor of a permanent arbitration court. The meeting appointed a committee to favor the proposed movement, including the bishop of Durham, Canon Wilberforce, Cardinal Vaughn, Dean Farrar, Lady Henry Somerset, W. T. Stead and William R. Cremer, the member of parliament who went to the United States some time since with a petition for an arbitration treaty, signed by all the members of parliament and others.

Ex-Officials Indicted.

DENVER, January 14.—It became known today that the grand jury last week found indictment against Matt Adams, ex-clerk of the district court, for the alleged embezzlement of $39,260 and W. R. Perry on charge of embezzling $1700 of county money. Mr. Perry was arrested today and gave bonds. It is said that Adams is in South America and steps will at once be taken to have him brought back. The expert is still at work on the books. Perry's defalcation became known two or three years ago at which time he went to Europe. He recently returned to stand trial. The indictment only covers part of the alleged shortage.

Americans Fired Upon.

LAREDO, Tex., January 14.—Information comes from Carrizo, Tex., that a party of Americans, James H. McHane and son, A. J. Blevins and Walter Strickland, while on a hunting trip, was fired upon by Mexican soldiers about forty miles below that place on Sunday. The facts and the cause of the difficulty have not yet been learned. The party is on its way to Laredo to complain to the government authorities.

Plans For a Revenue Cutter.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 14.—Collector Wise today received the plans for revenue cutter No. 3 from the treasury department. The cutter will be put on duty on this coast. Bids for the construction were advertised for last December, but were all higher than the appropriation. Bids will be readvertised February 8th.

The Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 14.—Wheat—Easier; May, $1.07½.

Barley—May, 70½c.

Corn—87½c.

Bran—$14 per ton.

CUBANS REINFORCED

Insurrection Increasing in Importance.

INSURGENTS ARE DELIBERATE

They Have Plenty of Time and Propose to Make the Most Of It.

HAVANA, January 14.—Confirmation has been received from the eastern provinces that the leaders Rabi, Jose, Maceo, Rivero and others at the head of strong forces of insurgents from the province of Puerto Principe, believed to be much better armed than any previous force and to have been reinforced by filibustering expeditions, containing numbers of Americans, are moving eastward, apparently with the intention of reinforcing the insurgents now operating in the neighborhood of Havana. Those insurgent forces are said to have moved into the Remedios district and to have moved in a northwesterly direction from Sancti Spiritus to Remedios and from there on westward.

The captain general has been forced to meet this move by sending back towards Santa Clara several columns of troops which were on their way through the provinces of Matanzas to reinforce his forces in this vicinity. The insurgents, it is believed, will thus be able to continue for some time longer their unchecked operations and if this plan does not prevent a junction of all the insurgent forces now in this vicinity, the situation will become more critical.

Several insurgent bands, numbering from 100 to 300 men, are reported to have gathered in the province of Colon and Matanzas, and all of these will help to swell the Maceo forces.

The insurrection is increasing in importance every day.

Practically the whole interior of the island, from east to west, with the exception of the large towns, is in the possession of the insurgents, who have burned everything combustible and have levied tributes right and left under the very noses of the Spanish commanders and cutting down the revenue of the Spanish government from Cuban sources about 80 per cent.

The insurgents are not acting hastily in any way. They have plenty of time before them and intend to make the most of it. They have a central government established at Hermosa, in the province of Puerto Principe; their forces are organized in excellent military style; they have regular army work shops; hospitals, in addition to the field hospitals; depots of provisions and ammunition, etc.; their cavalry is vastly superior both in number and quality to that of the Spaniards, and the military experts assert that the importation of 3000 or 4000 Spanish cavalry from Spain will in no way affect the situation, as the Spanish horses cannot stand the climate. The weak point of the Cuban army is its artillery. They have only a few guns of the old-fashioned type and a few modern rapid-firing guns.

This afternoon it was stated that General Maceo has plundered the village of San Diego de Nunez, quite an important place, a little to the eastward and southward of Bahia Honda, the port recently captured by the insurgents on the northern coast of Cuba, and in the province of Pinar del Rio.

Later—A report has just been received that the railroad station and bridge at Govea have been burned by the insurgents, the bridge being partially destroyed. Govea is on the railroad south from Havana and south of Rejucal. In this immediate neighborhood an engagement is said to have taken place this afternoon between General Linares and the insurgents.

RIGHTS OF THE BANNOCKS.

Dispute Between the Indians and Wyoming Will Soon be Settled.

WASHINGTON, January 14.—The merits of the controversy between the Bannock Indians and the state of Wyoming as to the right of the Indians to kill game in contravention of the Wyoming state law will soon be passed upon by the United States supreme court. The question will come up in this court in connection with the case of Racehorse, one of the Bannocks who participated in the Jackson Hole trouble last summer, which has just been docketed in that court. Racehorse was arrested by the sheriff of Uintnah county on the charge of killing game contrary to the state law, but he pleaded the Bannock treaty in justification and was released on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. The sheriff has appealed the case to the supreme court. It is understood that a motion will soon be made to advance the case on the docket and it is believed the motion will be granted.

Ten Third-Class Cruisers.

LONDON, January 14.—The *Times* says this morning that the admiralty has invited the principal private firms to tender bids for ten third-class cruisers, to be completed in one year. The armament is to be wholly of quick-firing guns. It has also required all firms having government contracts to give them preference over private orders.

The Deadlock Continues.

JACKSONVILLE, Miss., January 14.—The senatorial deadlock still continues. The joint caucus met again tonight and took four ballots, the last (sixth) resulting: Money 74, Lowrey 42, Allen 29½, Hooker 10½, McLaurin 4, Yerger 1, Campbell 1.

Cost of the Santa Fe Receivership.

TOPEKA, Kan., January 14.—Master in Chancery Johnson has filed his final report of the cost of the Santa Fe receivership. It shows that the total court expenses was $309,700. Sixty Thousand less than this was allowed by the court, but the bondholders made up the difference. Judge Johnson has figured that before the receivership the road was paying interest at the rate of $15,000 a day. The interest charges are now about half that.

Sporting News.

EL PASO, Tex., January 15.—The local committee which has secured a franchise for a bull fight in Juarez, Mexico, during the fistic carnival next month, received a cablegram today from Madrid announcing that Senor Jose de Moreno, the famous bull fighter of Spain, has accepted the committee's offer to bring his troupe here for six days, fighting to begin February 13th. Julian will arrive from New York in the morning and he and Quinn will select a referee Friday.

PACIFIC RAILROAD BILL.

Plan Suggested by a Colorado Congressman.

WASHINGTON, January 14.—In the house Mr. Shafroth of Colrado introduced a Pacific railroad bill. It contemplates a foreclosure sale of the Union and Central Pacific railroad properties, and in the event that the titles were vested in the government there shall be organized a government railroad company. The company is to be managed by a board of directors appointed by the President and as soon as organized the property vested in the United States by the foreclosure sale is to be conveyed to it. The company is then to deliver to the United States fifty year 3 per cent bonds to the amount of the total indebtedness of the railroad to the government, secured by a mortgage on all the property subject only to the bonds secured by first mortgage upon the property in the event the United States has not purchased or paid the same. The stock of the new company is to be sold at auction and the amount realized applied to the indebtedness of the government, and when the latter is fully paid the stockholders are to organize a new corporation. The government railroad company is then to convey the railroad and properties to it upon the surrender and cancellation of the stock of the old company.

WOOLEN MILL FOR EUREKA.

The Humboldt Self-Help Association Will Establish It.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 14.—A. Crocker, a merchant of San Luis Obispo and Eureka, is in the city as the representative of the Humboldt Self-help Association to investigate the feasibility of a scheme to locate a woolen mill at Eureka. He will visit the chief mills on the coast and if his report is favorable the project will be carried out by the association. In all probabilities a mill will be built at Eureka for the manufacture of woolen underwear and men's white and colored shirts. It is proposed to use the waste of the saw mills as fuel and with cheap wool Mr. Crocker believes that Eureka will be an admirable point for the manufacture and distribution of modern products. The Self-help Association was organized in Eureka about a month ago for the purpose of utilizing the labor of the young people of that section.

AN ELOPING COUPLE.

They Give San Francisco Detectives the Slip.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 14.—When the Excelsior arrived from San Diego today it had an eloping couple on board. They had registered as Miller and sister and two children at San Diego. The children were supposed to be those of the "sister." The purser had his suspicions, however, and convinced himself that the couple were not brother and sister.

The police here received a telegram to arrest the couple on arrival but two detectives, sent down to the water front by Chief Crowley, went to the wrong wharf and missed them.

From the wharf the elopers started ostensibly for an uptown hotel and when the detectives learned that they hastened thither. But the couple had given them the slip and were not there.

A WRETCH CAPTURED

THE MURDERER OF MRS. MAY PLATT APPREHENDED.

A Conspiracy to Fix a Crime on an Indian Chief and Then Depose Him.

LOS ANGELES, January 14.—The wretch who outraged, murdered and then burned Mrs. May J. Platt, the school teacher of the Pichango reservation in Riverside county, September 20, 1894, is now in the county jail.

His name is Francisco Guavish, a Pichango Indian, who was the foremost witness against Chief Mateopa, who was charged with the crime, but was acquitted.

Most of the evidence at the trial was of a complicated nature, showing jealousies and bickerings of a factional nature, extending even to those white people who took sides in the matter. It was attempted to show that Mateopa in a fit of anger at Mrs. Platt for espousing the cause of some intimate Indian and for treating another with severity, had caused her to be outraged, murdered and burned.

During the trial Deputy Sheriffs A. W. Marsh and Martin Aguirre were in constant attendance, and became convinced that Guavish committed the crime. They worked unceasingly upon this theory, and were finally rewarded by unearthing a conspiracy of which Guavish was at the head, to depose Chief Mateopa and appoint Guavish in his place.

The idea of killing Mrs. Platt and burning the building was conceived for the purpose of fixing a crime upon Mateopa, that would get him out of the way.

After the failure to convict Mateopa, Guavish left the reservation and went to live at Ballona. Here he committed various depredations, but his every action was watched until his guilt was beyond the question of a doubt, when he was placed under arrest.

When asked at the county jail what he had to say in regard to the murder, he replied: "If I have anything to say here they will hang me."

He will be arraigned at Riverside tomorrow.

Valuable Jewelry Stolen.

PETALUMA, January 14.—Tonight between 6 and 7 o'clock while C. Truelson, jeweler and watchmaker was at supper, his place of business was broken into and four trays of gold rings, nine gold watches and a pair of diamond studs, comprising nearly all the valuable part of the stock was stolen. The police were notified and are now investigating. Truelson estimates his loss at $1000.

The Ex-President Will Wed.

NEW YORK, January 14.—The *World* will tomorrow say: The statement was given out last night by a close friend of General Harrison that it was true the ex-President was to marry Mrs. Dimmick, but that the marriage would not take place before Lent, and that a formal announcement of the engagement will be made before that time.

The citrus fair has stimulated the inquiry for land in this county suited for orange and lemon growing.

A MOTHER'S CRIMES

Poisoned Herself and Eight Children.

DRIVEN INSANE BY TROUBLE

The Family Was Destitute and Suffered for the Necessaries of Life.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., January 14.—A special to the *Gazette* from Marysville, Kans., says that the most shocking event that has ever occurred in Marshall county came to light early this morning when it was found that Mrs. Joseph Hilderbrant, six miles east of Marysville, had poisoned her eight children and killed herself. Seven of the children were found dead and the eighth is dying tonight.

Mrs. Hilderbrant administered the poison to the little ones and then took a dose of it herself. She was evidently frantic when the deed was done and unable to wait for the slow poison to kill her, and went to the barn and hanged herself. The children died during the night in great agony. When the neighbors went to the place this morning it was an awful scene. The seven children were lying about the place and their positions showed that they had died in horrible agony. A physician was summoned for the child that still showed signs of life, but there was little hope of saving it.

It is generally believed that Mrs. Hilderbrant was driven insane by financial difficulties and trouble. The family was almost destitute when the father went to Kansas city a short time ago to be treated for cancer.

Since he went away it is believed that the family suffered for the necessaries of life, and this, with the knowledge of her husband's affliction, drove the woman insane. All the seven children are between the ages of 2 and 14.

Joseph Hilderbrant, husband and father of the victims of the tragedy at Marysville, Kas., has mysteriously disappeared from All Saints hospital in this city, and no trace of him can be found.

BANK CASHIER REMOVED.

Directors Claim He is Responsible for the Bank's Condition.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 14.—The directors of the Grangers' bank today removed Albert Montpelier as cashier and manager of the bank and appointed in his place August Muenter. The directors charge Montpelier with being mainly responsible for the bad condition of the bank affairs, had and unusual loans, unwise investments of bank funds in building warehouses, using the funds of the bank himself and permitting other officers and employes to use them for speculative purposes, and then, when the pinch came, misrepresenting to the directors. To all this Montpelier enters a general denial and points to the fall in prices of farm products and the failure of crops as the explanation of the misfortune laid at his door. Montpelier was manager of the bank for nearly twenty-two years.

SIXTY-FOUR PRISONERS.

Members of the Reform Committee Arrested by the Boers.

NEW YORK, January 14.—A dispatch to the *World* from Cape Town, South Africa, says: Sixty-four members of the Uitlanders' reform committee, who have been arrested by the Boer authorities on the charge of treason against the republic in connection with the expedition from British Africa, have been imprisoned in Pretoria, at Joel, a small village near Vryheid, and at Bettelheim, in the orange free state. The Rand district is quiet now.

The Rand branch of the "reform" prisoners have been impounded and their property confiscated.

Exchange is high but steady.

The burghers are petitioning for the removal of the English suzerainty.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY.

State Executive Committee Instructed to Prepare a Call.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 14.—The Republican state executive committee met here today. It was reported that after all bills had been paid there would be about $7 in the treasury. The chairman and secretary were instructed to prepare a call for a state primary and figure out the proportion of delegates to the state convention from the counties on the basis of the Harrison-Estee vote. This is to be submitted to the executive committee at a meeting to be held February 15th. The state central committee will meet February 29th to fix the time and place for holding the state convention, at which delegates to the national Republican convention will be elected.

Opposed to Harrison.

CHICAGO, January 15.—The *Post's* Washington special says: Henry U. Johnson, of the sixth Indiana district, has caused something of a sensation by coming out flatfooted against General Harrison for the presidential nomination. He says he has carefully considered the position of his declaration upon his chances for a renomination and reelection to congress, and has concluded that he would rather be defeated for congress than sacrifice his self-respect by joining the Harrison forces under coercion.

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MILLS ON FINANCE

He Criticises the President and Secretary.

PENSION ORATORY IN THE HOUSE

Policy of the Administration Scored by Both Republicans and Democrats.

WASHINGTON, January 15.—Senator Mills' speech on finance with frequent direct criticisms of the President and secretary of the treasury, was the main feature of today's session. There was added interest in the speech from the fact that Mr. Mills had been prominent in the senate as the champion of the Presidential policy. His criticisms today were temperate and dignified, the senator giving expression to his high personal regard for the executive, although differing from him radically on the question of financial policy.

Whenever the verdict of the people had been taken it had been in favor of the legal tender notes. The people had always stood against bonds.

"Let any party," said Mr. Mills, "dare to go before the country in the coming contest with a plain declaration favoring a bonded debt and bank circulation, and when the campaign is over that party will need the services of a first-class undertaker."

He differed with the President on this subject, and he regretted it. But this was a country of free discussion, and the difference with the President and the secretary of the treasury existed in spite of high personal regard for them. The President wanted more bonds, adding to the people's burden, and imposing this burden on our children and our children's children.

Mr. Gray asked if Mr. Mills believed in notes which were never redeemed; in short, fiat money.

Mr. Mills rejected the idea that legal tender notes were fiat, and explained the theory of fiat money.

"Why did not our distinguished secretary of the treasury," asked Mr. Mills, "when the bank conspiracy began say to these gentlemen, now send in your cards and I will pay you in silver? If the secretary had coined the silver in the treasury and paid it for current expenses there would have been no deficit."

The President's bond issues were futile. The $100,000,000 issue a few days hence would be followed by another $100,000,000 in a few months. The President's language concerning finances sounded like the statements of Jay Cooke when he advocated national debts as national blessings. This bank power threatened to wield a controlling power in the senate, the house of representatives, the executive branch and the United States supreme court. This last branch had grown so powerful that it could almost decree monarchy in the United States. That would be no more absurd than the decision against the income tax, overruling the decisions of a hundred years. The senator closed with a strong expression of his purpose to at all times resist the growing influence of the bank power.

The silver bond bill was taken up at 2 o'clock and Mr. Peffer, Populist of Kansas, addressed the senate. He said that the speech of Mills had at last justified the Populist party.

"We have the remarkable spectacle," said Mr. Peffer, "of a Democratic senator holding a distinguished place in his party, arraigning and denouncing the policy of the President which this party brought into power."

Mr. Peffer urged in particular the repeal of all laws authorizing the issue of bonds.

He yielded the floor to permit Mr. Pugh, Democrat of Alabama, to offer a resolution similar in text to the resolution historically known as the "Stanley Matthews resolution" for the payment of government obligations in either coin, gold or silver. Mr. Pugh gave notice that he will ask a vote on this resolution on Monday.

Resuming, Mr. Peffer said the Populist party would properly arrange the parity of the metals when it came into power.

"That will be," said Mr. Hoar, "when the millenium occurs."

"The millenium is near at hand and we will not have long to wait," replied Mr. Peffer.

The Senator said the bond policy of the President was little else than a "great public crime."

Mr. Peffer will continue his remarks tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Wolcott, Republican of Colorado, the senate agreed that the adjournment tomorrow would be until Monday.

At 5.16 the senate went into executive session, and at 4.25 p.m. adjourned until tomorrow.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, January 15.—Another day was consumed by the house in oratory upon the pension appropriation bill, in course of which the policy of the present administration towards the veterans was scored by both Republicans and Democrats and defended by two or three Democrats. The most notable incident of the debate was the attack made by Mr. Grow of Pennsylvania, upon what he termed the extraordinary attempt by the President and his clerks to encroach upon the prerogatives of the executive branch of the government. He denounced Secretary Carlisle for sending a financial bill to congress, and the action of the President in having read the famous letter to Mr. Catchings on the Wilson bill just before a vote on the bill, which he said was an attempt to influence the vote. Congress should resent such encroachments upon its prerogatives, Mr. Grow declared.

Mr. Walsh, Democrat of Georgia, did not think that provision of the law a proper one which compels a widow to show that she depends upon her daily labor for support before she can secure a pension.

Mr. McCall, Republican of Tennessee, believed the pension laws were good, but were not enforced in the proper spirit.

Mr. Hanley, Republican of Indiana, spoke in favor of an amendment providing for the restoration to the rolls of pensioners dropped therefrom.

Mr. Hardy thought the debt to the soldier had never been paid and favored more liberal pensions.

Mr. Lacey, Republican of Iowa, predicted that 104,000 cases of pensioners dropped or suspended from the rolls by the present commissioner, would be reviewed by the next administration and many of them restored, and asked that nothing be done to prevent a review by one commissioner of his predecessor's work.

Mr. Mills, Republican of Michigan, wanted ever soldier who served ninety days to have a pension.

Mr. Crowther, Republican of Missouri, advised the hearing of pension cases in state rather than in federal courts.

Mr. Low, Republican of New York, and Mr. Spalding, Republican of Michigan, spoke in favor of the bill and both believed a pension should be a vested right.

Mr. Grow, Republican of Pennsylvania, opposed the idea of communications being sent to the house by the President and cabinet officers for the purpose of creating legislation and referred to the letter sent by the President to Mr. Catchings.

"This house," he said, "should resent any attempt by the President or his clerks to dictate legislation to the house."

Then at 4.05 p.m. the house adjourned until tomorrow.

RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

DELEGATES FROM EIGHTEEN COUNTIES IN CONVENTION

Discussing the Work of Making Interior Waterways Navigable.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 15.—The California River Improvement convention met in fifth annual session today at the Chamber of Commerce. Delegates from eighteen counties in the state, and from the cities of San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda, Stockton, Marysville and San Jose came together at the call of Chairman A. H. Rose of the executive committee, and settled down immediately and enthusiastically to the work on hand. There was enough ardor to successfully carry unanimously the one object of the committee—a present appropriation to start the work of making navigable the great interior waterways of the state.

There were fully 100 delegates in their seats when Chairman Rose rapped for order and stated the purpose for which the convention had been called.

After a long discussion of the plan to send a delegation to Washington, a motion that it be the sense of this convention that a delegation, to be selected by the executive committee, be sent to Washington was carried unanimously.

The convention proceeded to the selection of an executive committee composed of one member from each county, and eight at large, to be named by the convention. This resulted as follows:

Alameda, D. J. McLean; Colusa, C. P. Wilson; Contra Costa, John Sweet; Glenn, M. O'Hare; Napa, J. Fuller; Marin, J. Farish; Sacramento, William Johnson; San Francisco, W. L. Merry; Santa Clara, W. A. Cooper; San Joaquin, C. A. Bachman; Stockton, E. W. Swift; Sonoma, William P. Edwards; Stanislaus, J. R. McDonald; Sutter, W. F. Hoke; Tehama, O. White; Yolo, L. B. Adams; Alameda (city), F. W. Van-Sicklen; Marysville, N. D. Rideout; Petaluma, E. L. Drass; Santa Clara, A. O. Creeninger; San Jose, W. R. Meades; Sacramento, J. H. Roberts; Redding, F. M. Swasey; Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, Professor George Davidson; Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, H. Weinstock.

Delegates at large—A. H. Rose, San Francisco; G. M. Leaves, Redding; W. D. Lawton, Sacramento; S. F. Ayers, Santa Clara; H. P. Dalton, Oakland; W. S. Green, Colusa; H. J. Corcoran, Stockton; George Ohleyer, Sutter.

It was decided that the governing body of any council or municipality that was entitled to a member of the executive lodge, where names had not been reported as yet, should be empowered to report names to the executive committee, and that the persons named should be enrolled as members thereof.

A recess was taken until 8 o'clock in the evening, at which time the memorial committee had previously been instructed to report.

At the evening session the committee on memorial submitted the following:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:—The River and Harbor Improvement convention of California respectfully memorialize you as follows:

The improvement of the navigable waters of Northern and Southern California constitute the most important question engaging the attention of the people of the state. These water channels extend over a thousand miles in extent, and afford a cheap means of transportation for the products of the fertile valleys that they drain. From various causes their navigability has been decreased, and as a consequence those who would benefit by their improvement have suffered. They are capable of extension at a small outlay, so as to bring within the range of advantage large portions of the state now inaccessible by water navigation.

On the ground of benefit to the farmers and fruit growers, of the extension of commerce, of cheapened transportation, of reparation for past neglect and of solemn duty in improving the waters of this vast empire, we earnestly implore you to carry out all the recommendations of improvement made by the government representatives and to take such other means as may be necessary and proper to improve and extend these waterways, so as to benefit not only the people of California, but the whole nation as well.

The bicycle has stopped and the plow has started.

CHICAGO SELECTED

As the Democratic Convention City.

ST. LOUIS A CLOSE SECOND

July 7th the Date, Decided Upon by a Vote of 32 to 18.

WASHINGTON, January 16.—The Democratic national convention will be held at the city of Chicago on July 7th. That was the decision reached by the national Democratic committee after an interesting and at times exciting session, which continued until 11 o'clock tonight. There was considerable difference of opinion as to the time for holding the convention, one proposition, advanced by Allen W. Thurman of Ohio, who held the proxy of the New Mexico member, being to hold it June 23d, two weeks before the Republican convention, and the other by Hugh Wallace of Washington state to hold it July 7th. The committee decided upon the latter date by a vote of 32 to 18.

The main interest seemed to center in the choice of the convention city. For this honor there were four applicants, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati and New York. Thirty minutes was allowed each city in which to present its claims. The speeches made by distinguished citizens in each instance were of a high order of excellence and, at times, aroused the greatest enthusiasm.

Chicago had but one speaker, Judge Adams A. Goodrich, who made a very brief but strong and forcible presentation for the city by the lake.

Arguments in favor of Cincinnati were presented by M. E. Ingalls of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, and ex-Congressman Follette. Both addressed themselves particularly to the accommodations of Cincinnati.

S. Waldo Smith of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation, S. E. Ford, representative of the hotels; T. C. Crane and Colonel John R. Fellows presented the claims of New York.

Ex-Governor Francis, Governor Stone, Mayor Walbridge and Senator Vest spoke for St. Louis.

This concluded the speeches. The balloting began at 5 o'clock this evening, and from the first a long and bitter struggle was indicated.

The first ballot resulted: Chicago 6, Cincinnati 11, St. Louis 19, New York 14. There was practically no change, except a fluctuation of a vote or two, until the sixteenth ballot, when Chicago began gradually to increase her vote at the expense of New York. At the twentieth ballot New York's strength was rapidly disintegrating, her vote going almost bodily to Chicago; but St. Louis, which had tenaciously clung to her nineteen votes, also captured several of Cincinnati's votes, and on the ballot before the last led St. Louis by one vote. The last ballot, the twenty-ninth, which was taken shortly before 11 o'clock, the four remaining votes of New York were thrown to Chicago, giving her the necessary plurality; Chicago 23, St. Louis 24, Cincinnati 1.

Senator Brice voted for Cincinnati to the last.

An examination of the votes by states shows that St. Louis had practically the solid support of the free silver votes in the committee.

NO HOPE FOR ACTION.

Congress Will Pass no Financial Measure.

CHICAGO, January 16.—"Little hope is entertained that any remedial financial legislation will be passed at the present session of congress," said James H. Eckels, comptroller of the currency today. "The house has passed the coin bond bill, but unsatisfactory as it is, there is little hope of its passage in the senate in any form that will be satisfactory to the house. If passed at all by the senate it will be with a free silver amendment attached. Under such circumstances it would not be necessary for President Cleveland to veto such a measure, because the house would not agree to such an amendment.

"The bond issue is expected to afford temporary relief. No doubt is entertained of the sale being successful, or of the whole issue being taken. Of course it is an open question whether the gold to be paid for the bonds will not be withdrawn from the United States treasury to pay for them. Should that be done the relief afforded would be reduced just to the extent that the gold is withdrawn. So long as the greenbacks are outstanding, just so long will our national finances be in an unsatisfactory condition."

HUNTINGTON'S TESTIMONY.

Money Probably Spent to Entertain Congressmen.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 16.—When the proceedings were resumed today in the United States circuit court regarding the injunction suit of the Southern Pacific Company to prevent the California Railroad commission from fixing freight rates, counsel for the commission introduced as evidence the testimony taken concerning the Southern Pacific Company by the congressional commission of 1886-7.

The testimony of C. P. Huntington was first read, relating chiefly to the expenditure of money during the period when the Central Pacific railroad was being constructed and to the subsequent expenditures for its maintenance. Questions were asked as to whether some of the expenditures had not been made in Washington for the benefit of officials, members of congress and others, and in reply the witness stated that there had probably been some expense attending the entertainment of such persons. The testimony of Edward H. Miller Jr., formerly secretary of the company, was also read. It related chiefly to the contracts entered into for the construction of various sections of the Central Pacific rail-

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A UNITED PROTEST.

The REPUBLICAN has heretofore asserted that the people of California are practically a unit in condemnation of any funding bill which may be devised by this or any other congress. For the person who resides in this state no proof of the truth of the assertion is needed, but for non-residents demonstration might be required. If so, no small amount of such evidence was supplied in a recent issue of the San Francisco *Examiner*. It is said that straws show which way the current flows. The *Examiner* set a haystack adrift on the river of popular opinion.

The evidence offered by the San Francisco paper was in the form of a symposium of the opinions of county and city officials of the state. Of course no attempt can be made here to give these opinions, but an idea of the length and breadth of the territory they cover can be formed, by giving a list of the places represented by the writers. They are San Francisco, Oakland, Red Bluff, Willows, Santa Barbara, Marysville, Santa Cruz, Tulare, Fresno, San Bernardino, Visalia, Redding, Yreka, Healdsburg, Santa Ana, Redwood City, Vallejo, Santa Rosa, Colusa, Nevada City, Sonora, Stockton, Eureka, Hollister, Ukiah and San Luis Obispo.

Bear in mind that they all are the opinions of public officials, and you will appreciate the significance of the fact they are a unit in condemning a funding bill. The straws composing the haystack float in but one direction. As far as the opinions of these officials indicate, there is unity of sentiment concerning the matter, and the indication is practically correct. If a funding bill is passed by congress, it must be in spite of the united protest of Californians. The protest should be heeded, for we are the people on whom the indebtedness must principally fall if it is continued.

THE San Francisco *Chronicle* has declined to print the long, bitter and acrimonious controversy between Father Yorke and Donald A. Ross on the issues between the Catholic church and the A. P. A., and gives the reasons for so doing in an editorial of some columns in length. The REPUBLICAN believes that the position of the *Chronicle* is taken upon wise and patriotic grounds. There can be no doubt that a discussion of this question in the bitter and personal manner usually adopted by its controversionalists is calculated to stir up animosities among good citizens to a degree that is injurious to the best interests of the community, and that the press can do a genuine service to the public by restraining the fury of these combatants so far as its columns are concerned. The policy of the REPUBLICAN has been to report as fairly as possible public meetings and lectures held for the discussion of this subject, as an essential feature of the news of the day, and it has admitted an occasional communication on both sides of the controversy, but when these contributions became unduly numerous and have shown a tendency to degenerate into an exchange of slurs and epithets, access to these columns has been shut off, to the lasting benefit, as we believe, of all parties concerned. The REPUBLICAN has recently been in receipt of several communications of a rather torrid nature, from both Catholics and A.P.A.'s, but as they are not in our opinion calculated to subserve any good purpose they will not appear in this paper.

THE copy of the San Jose *Mercury's* souvenir which doubtless was mailed to the REPUBLICAN never has reached this office, but as we have had the opportunity to see it we will not be chary of praise which is so uncommonly well deserved as in this instance. If the *Mercury's* souvenir is not the completest and finest work ever issued by a newspaper, to see its superior has not been granted to most men. It is a book of 324 pages, illustrated with half-tone engravings of such beautiful scenes as are not often found outside of the Santa Clara valley. The work involved in preparing its reading matter was vast, as is indicated by the fact that the work was eighteen months in preparation. The *Mercury* has placed the people of Santa Clara county under such an obligation as will not readily be discharged.

IF the *entente cordiale* between the REPUBLICAN and the Bakersfield *Californian* becomes all warped and twisted, it shall not be the fault of this paper, at any rate. Another copy of the New Year's REPUBLICAN has been mailed to the *Californian*, and if this one goes astray impeachment proceedings will be begun against the postmaster general. If this *entente* cordiale misses the mark, we shall send the cordial in a keg the next time.

THE right of way for the Valley road through this city, under the decision of the supreme court, will have to be advertised for sale to the highest bidder, but in a community where public sentiment is unanimously in favor of a square deal for legitimate enterprise, no serious trouble or complications are at all likely to arise on account of the manner in which the franchise must be secured.

THE readiness with which the bonds of the forthcoming issue are being subscribed by home capital furnishes conclusive proof that the late syndicate deal was wholly unnecessary and that the taxpayers were robbed of millions of dollars for no other purpose than the enrichment of as graceless a gang of capitalistic conspirators as ever looted a public treasury.

THE Hanford *Democrat* says that the people of that locality now feel safe in leaving a red hot stove out in the air over night. It may be entirely safe, but why do the Hanford people indulge in such eccentricities?

THE forthcoming bond issue will probably be the last, but the people will be a long time paying the interest on the burden of the indebtedness laid upon them during the past year.

VALUE OF SPECIAL EDITIONS.

The Stockton *Record*, Stockton *Mail*, Fresno REPUBLICAN, and Fresno *Expositor* have each issued extra numbers lately that reflect infinite credit upon the managements and writers. The numerous special articles, all interesting and many genuinely valuable, would do more good, however, if distributed among the regular issues of the respective papers throughout the year, because they would be more generally read and considered. The flood of big papers common in the holiday season is an abomination, anyway.—*Modesto Herald.*

There is some truth in what the Modesto paper has to say of big newspaper editions. The special articles which they contain are not as generally read by the subscribers of the papers as they would be if they were distributed through the issues of six months or a year, but there is one feature of the matter which the contemporary entirely overlooks. By making a large, illustrated and otherwise attractive edition, as the New Year REPUBLICAN was, the local pride of the community is awakened and thousands of the papers are bought by people who send them to their friends abroad.

Without a special edition this desirable result would not be accomplished, for however interesting a local paper may be in every issue, its circulation abroad is limited, in comparison to that which it reaches when a really attractive special edition is issued.

The REPUBLICAN agrees with the Modesto paper that the tendency is to make the holiday newspapers too large, and to sacrifice quality to gain quantity. This is especially true of the metropolitan papers, and is a criticism that applies with much less frequency to country papers. While it is true that the New Year REPUBLICAN contained the largest amount of matter of any holiday edition printed in the interior, there was not one article in its columns which was not carefully prepared either with a view to conveying important information to readers abroad, or the entertainment of the local reader.

That the work was successfully performed has been abundantly attested by the enthusiasm with which it was received by all classes of people, and that it will benefit Fresno county very materially cannot be doubted, in view of the large numbers of copies which have been and are being sent abroad.

THE iron has entered the soul of the Merced *Sun*, and it now understands the meaning of the reptilian sentiment so often described as base political ingratitude. The *Sun* is a Populist paper, and during the last county campaign it assisted in the election of one Shaffer, Populist candidate for member of the Board of Supervisors. Populist Shaffer got his office, but in due season it transpired that he had some political debts to pay outside of his party, and he cancelled one of them by assisting to give such county printing as the supervisors control to the opposition paper. Words of comfort for the *Sun* under these circumstances are not to be found between the lids of the dictionary, and in the way of consolation this paper will merely express the opinion that all the party traitors have not gone over to the Populist fold. The tendency of that kind of cattle is to indorse anything that gives them a ghost of a show for an office, but the opportunities have not been sufficient to induce all of them to become reformers.

THE Cuban revolutionists are charged with not meeting the enemy in the open and of shooting overmuch from behind trees and rocks. The criticism may be in accord with the facts, but it would sound better coming from some other than American source. If history tells us correctly our own revolutionary patriots did considerable damage to the adversary while incurring as little risk to their own persons as became necessary in drawing a bead upon the esteemed enemy from some convenient ambush. A "little band of patriots," struggling for liberty or death, would be very certain to achieve the latter if they invariably met their powerful foe in open battle. The Cubans are fighting all right, and their rights should be recognized by the country whose example they are following.

SENATOR ELKINS of West Vrginia gave out some very interesting figures while he was speaking in favor of his resolution against the disposal of bonds by private contract or in any other way than by public advertising. He had searched the treasury record and showed by the official figures that the United States government had only paid about $2,500,000 in commissions to the bankers who assisted in selling the $2,500,000,000 of bonds which represented the debt incurred during the late civil war, which is less than one-half the amount made by the syndicate which took the last $62,000,000 of bonds issued by the Cleveland administration. Never before in the history of this country has there been a public transaction approaching the Cleveland-syndicate bond deal in point of barefaced, inexcusable robbery of the taxpayers of the country.

THE Los Angeles daily *Record* asserts positively that the Denver & Rio Grande railway is making active preparations to build into this state for the purpose of connecting with the Valley road at Fresno and also to make a southern terminal at Los Angeles. The statement appears to be based upon tangible probability, and developments will be watched with much interest. There are abundant reasons for the belief that the promoters of the Valley road had made an arrangement for an eastern connection before they began building the road.

THE *Hen Man* is the title of a new paper to be started at Petaluma. It is not, as might be supposed from the name, a publication in the interests of the New Woman, but will be devoted to the non-political, unromantic but useful industry of poultry raising. If its incubator is full of sound ideas the *Hen Man* will be a success.

KINGS county's "forty thieves" may be on the road to obliteration, but it is to be feared that their pernicious example will be in evidence for some time. The disposition to "swipe" the territory of neighboring counties is doubtless the result of example.

THE Clovis *Enterprise*, under A. C. Wrenn's management, has been changed to the Clovis *Herald*. It is now a six-page four-column paper, and is much improved in appearance.

A REASONABLE CONCLUSION

The esteemed Stockton *Mail*, with somewhat more of positiveness than logic objects to an expression of opinion by the REPUBLICAN that the house of representatives adopted a measure authorizing the issue of bonds payable in either gold or silver, in order to put the President on record in regard to the kind of bonds which alone will satisfy his purposes. The *Mail* says:

Mr. Reed and his faithful following in the house put through a bond bill because they believe in bonds, and for no other reason, and they cannot evade the responsibility of their action.

The REPUBLICAN freely admits that the purpose of the action taken by the house is wholly a matter of opinion. The reason, however, for believing that the house did not take action on the bond question for the purpose of securing another issue, seems to this paper to be quite conclusive. If another bond issue had been the actual desire of the house the action taken by it was as useless for that purpose as a fifth wheel is to a wagon, for at that time it was fully understood that arrangements for another issue by the administration had been fully determined regardless of any authorization by congress. Hence it follows that so far as more bonds are concerned the action was utterly useless and its only purpose, so far as we are able to analyze it, was to put the administration on record as ignoring an action of the house authorizing short time coin bonds instead of long time gold bonds, in which the Cleveland regime deals so liberally.

If there is anything unreasonable in this view of the matter, we fail to see why it is so. If the action of the house had been at all necessary to promote another issue of bonds the aspect of the case would be entirely changed, but it was wholly superfluous except as a protest against the kind of bonds which the administration had already prepared to issue.

The REPUBLICAN believes now as it did at the time, that the action of the house was bad policy and poor politics, for while it is in opposition to the kind of bond issues made by the President and Secretary Carlisle, it is in the nature of an admission that bonds of some sort are essential, which the REPUBLICAN does not believe to be the case. The senate has given the proper answer to the action taken by the house.

MAYOR SUTRO'S PLAN AND OURS.

The REPUBLICAN does not know that Mayor Sutro of San Francisco is a close reader of this paper, but he might have secured his idea of a state convention to oppose a funding bill from its columns if he had read them. The *Call* of Thursday said:

"Mayor Sutro's active brain has evolved a new, original and far-reaching plan for fighting the funding bill which C. P. Huntington hopes to pass through the present session of congress, and he is losing no time in putting it into execution. It is nothing less than a great state convention to send the voice of California's opponents of the measure to Washington in tones that cannot be mistaken."

The REPUBLICAN'S "active brain" evolved something very closely akin to this "new, original and far-reaching plan" just two days before it reached the mayor. In Tuesday's issue, under the caption "Time for United Action," we said:

"Every city, town and village in the state can unite with San Francisco in her opposition to a funding bill. Through public officials, quasi-public organizations and mass meetings we can make the wish of the western people—who are most directly interested—known to congress. We can leave no room for doubt that opposition here is practically a unit. We can contribute to a fund with which to fight the proposition in congress. We can do much. To the REPUBLICAN it seems that some such action as this should be taken all along the coast, and now is the time to take it. But leadership is a prerequisite to it, and this leadership should come from the metropolis. If the San Francisco organization which is attempting to combat a funding bill will practically and directly appeal to the interior of the state for moral and financial assistance, it will receive it. The wisdom of such a course must be manifest to anybody. Congress may refuse to consider the desire of an entire state, but it is less apt to do so than to overlook the demand of a single city."

But Mayor Sutro is very welcome to our "new, original and far-reaching plan." We have no copyright on it. He is in a position to do something with it; we could only suggest it. We are very glad that San Francisco is about to act intelligently in this important matter.

A HOPELESS FLUNKEY.

The *Post*, which is by odds the most contemptible of San Francisco daily papers; which was, with one or two exceptions, the only paper in the state that would have made the campaign of 1894 one of mud flinging and filth; which refers to the editors of interior papers as "pinheads" and "coyotes;" which delights in malicious insinuations and foul innuendos—the *Post*, we say, is now engaged in "standing in" with the Southern Pacific, and it does it in its own manner, which is about equally marked by viciousness and incapacity. Senator White had telegraphed to the *Examiner* concerning the proposed funding bill. He expressed the following views, among others:

"Many legislators have not had occasion to form definite views upon this topic. They are presumably anxious to do right. Threats, charges of want of congressional integrity, will not enlighten the judicially inclined. Denunciation may do for emphasis. It will not fill the place of evidence or logic. The opponents of the bill must show, as they can, that public interests will suffer if the bill is enacted."

This is a very direct and very sensible utterance, and it will receive the approval of nine-tenths of the people of California, regardless of party, but the *Post* maunders through a half column of limping irony concerning it, of which the closing paragraph, which follows, is a fair example:

"White should come home. He is jabbering through his hat, and it is just possible that he was drinking senatorial tea when he wrote that audacious dispatch."

The article is unworthy of attention except as an illustration of the variety of driveling abuse which this should-be metropolitan paper is wont to heap upon any person who ventures to say a word against the methods or desires of the railroad monopoly. It should receive a good salary. Few papers would stoop so low for any consideration.

It is to another matter, however, that we desire to call specific attention, as illustrating the *Post's* methods. It sent questions with a railroad leaning to certain prominent men throughout the state. The questions were of some length, but in effect they asked how the persons interrogated stood on the question of funding the railroad indebtedness. Concerning the answers the *Post* says:

"Herewith are presented the opinions of some other well-known men in California; that their views do not agree probably shows an independence of thought rather than a lack of consideration of the situation. It is a fact easily noted from the dispatches which have appeared in the *Post* that there is a wide diversity of opinions entertained on the subject of government ownership, foreclosure and the other methods suggested for the settlement of the railroad question."

The person who should read the *Post's* comments and nothing more, as many would, would gain the impression that the people of California differ materially concerning what should be done with this railroad indebtedness question. Let us see if they do, taking the *Post's* correspondents as our indication. The opinions of just four of these correspondents follow the last quoted words from the San Francisco paper. We quote the essential part of each of these opinions. W. T. Ellis, Jr., the mayor of Marysville, says:

"From the information which I possess, however, it would appear as if the government should refuse to consent to the practical extinguishment of the debt by the extension of the time of payment as proposed. To California especially I would consider such a course, if followed, to be a great setback to the future prosperity of the state."

A. Gordon, chairman of the Redwood City council says:

"I am in favor of the government owning the roads, unless payment in full is made by the railroads. Second, I am not in favor of allowing the government claim to lapse; I am not in favor of selling the government claims for 40 per cent. I would favor extending the time provided that payment is made absolutely certain of the government's claim."

J. W. Morgan, president of the Auburn board of trustees, says:

"I am opposed to the passage of the funding bill in any form. I favor the government paying the necessary amount of first mortgage, and by so doing have the right to foreclose."

John C. Gray, superior judge of Butte county, says:

"The matter should be settled at once; delay with these corporations is a constant menace to the government."

These four constitute all of the correspondents whose opinions appear in the issue of the *Post* from which we quote. Not only is there not that difference of views which in that paper's opinion "probably shows an independence of thought rather than a lack of consideration," but there is a unanimity concerning the main question involved which would be striking were it not prevalent throughout the state. It would seem that the *Post* might be fair when the proof of its duplicity follows its utterances in its columns, but probably fairness is an impossibility to it under any or all circumstances.

If the *Post* were not a flunkey of the Southern Pacific, it would be a toady to anybody else. A snake does not stand erect.

SPEAKING of the proposition of Kings county to acquire a large slice of Fresno's territory the Hanford *Democrat* says that "the people residing in that portion of Fresno county bordering Kings county on the north are not recognized by the people of Fresno except in taxpaying times. They want improved roads and bridges across Kings river, but are given a stone when asking for bread. They propose to remedy matters by having their territory added to Kings county." There is doubtless some ground for this complaint so far as the territory lying south of Kings river is concerned, and this county should without further delay supply the wants of the people there in the matter of road and bridge construction. But it does not apply to the large amount of territory north of the river and east of the sloughs which the grasping infant desires to add to her domain, and the people residing there will hardly be persuaded to see it in that light. Baby Kings should take warning from the troubles into which England has been plunged by her aggressive and grasping policy. If she is not careful her neighbors will rise up with one accord and sit upon her with a dull, sickening thud.

THE Valley road directors have notified the people of Merced that they must proceed to do business with them at once or negotiations will come to an end and the road will pass on a direct route east of the town. The people of Merced have certainly had plenty of time in which to make up their minds, and should either shoot or give up the gun.

RANDOM REMARKS.

DEAR WILLIE:
Your conduct is dreadfully shocking.
You praised that bad Kruger when he had been knocking
My plans. Do better at once, or I'll lick ye—
That is if I'm able.
Your fond grandma.
VICKY.

Two boys, aged seven and eight years respectively, have been arrested in San Francisco on a charge of burglary. Turn the kids loose, inquire into the circumstances, and, unless there are extenuating conditions, send their parents to state prison.

It can be demonstrated that the patriotic citizen who received only $2 for his vote in 1892 has lost money on the deal. Grover has already bonded every man, woman and child of the nation to the extent of $4 each, and he still has thirteen months in which to operate.

To Scipio Craig, of the Redlands *Citrograph*, Greeting: Let me know when I am "gooder and gooder" enough, for your invitation has the scent of orange flowers upon it and the glory of God's fairest country shimmers between its lines. You make me homesick, Scipio, old boy.

As soon as a woman gets married, it begins to show in the knot of hair on the back of her head. We can look at the knot of hair on any woman's head, and tell whether she is married or single.—Atchison Globe.

The *Globe* man evidently is "mixed" in his ideas. It is not the woman, but the man, on whom the condition of the hair indicates marriage, and it is not the "knot" of hair, but the "not" of hair that indicates.

The world is watching to see if the English premier will issue an ultimatum in the case of Germany with the same promptitude as when Nicaragua and Venezuela attempted to protest against his policy.—Riverside Press.

He will not, dear boy. National affairs are otherwise conducted. Our dearly beloved Uncle Samuel, for instance, has not issued an ultimatum concerning the Alaskan-boundary dispute with the same promptitude which would have characterized him had it been the Hawaiian government monkeying around up there.

'Tis a pity San Francisco can't keep her skirts clear from the contamination of so much scandal.—San Jacinto Register.

You forget the city newspapers, dear boy; you forget the city newspapers. What would they do now without Rev. Dr. C. O. Brown, for instance? What would they do if they didn't have his case to fill up a few pages of every issue? What would their readers do without that daily dose of literary nux vomica? Of course it is a pity, but you must see that it has its alleviating circumstances.

The following assertion recently appeared in the Los Angeles *Herald*:

The sum total of the figures expressed in 1896 is twenty-four, and there are just twenty-four letters in John Griffith Carlisle, President. The fates select the man.

The intelligent reader who counted the letters in "John Griffith Carlisle, President" has ascertained that there are twenty-nine of them. The *Herald's* explanation was speedily forthcoming. It appears that the editor man studied over the matter until he discovered that there are twenty-four letters in "John Griffith Carlisle, Pres." He wrote it in that way, and the intelligent compositor spelled it out for him. But in the general hee-haw the virtue of his prophecy went a-glimmering.

It may be that this religio-irreligious controversy between "Father" P. C. Yorke and anybody else which is running through the San Francisco papers is demanded by the exigencies of the times, but we do not believe it. We believe that the world is too full of strenuous needs to demand this patter of words over the little differences of little men. What is gained by it all? Does anybody suppose that this ceaseless patter of logic or no-logic will convert anybody? We do not suppose that anybody has such a hope or expectation. No, the only object of it all must be to tickle the ears of "true believers" pro or con. If the representatives of the church have no higher mission in life than this, they would better surrender their emblems to the Salvation Army and go into other lines of business. It, at least, does something more than to "jaw back." The Yorke-anybody controversy has become nauseating.

There is a wretched and unfortunate creature creeping along our streets selling lead pencils. Both legs are gone from the knees down and he presents a pitiable appearance. He has traveled here from the east, to the daily papers say. San Francisco seems to be the jumping off place for the maimed, the halt and the blind. It's a shame to have such objects of misery on the public pavements. The city is in duty bound to place persons of such misfortune in the alms house at once.—San Francisco News Letter.

Yes, it is a shame! It is a shame that misfortune is permitted to obtrude itself on our fastidious senses! It is a shame that unfortunates should be granted a chance to earn a living in some poor way! It is a shame that they are not confined somewhere away from the highly sensitive world! It is a shame that we must recognize that they live, to the extent of buying a lead pencil of them! The *News-Letter's* refined delicacy has struck the keynote. It is very shameful!

For years the News Company monopoly which is controlled by the Southern Pacific has refused to sell the San Francisco *Star*. The *Star* is the most fearless paper published in the metropolis. It is honest and undeviating in its adherence to principle. Like the rest of us, it makes mistakes, but it does not wilfully uphold the wrong. It is too honest to be quiet concerning Southern Pacific extortions, hence it could not be purchased on Southern Pacific trains or at Southern Pacific news stands. It held and holds that honorable distinction among California publications. Now it proposes that every news dealer who will shall handle it notwithstanding the boycott, and it asks that its readers in every town interest their newsmen to handle it. The writer is among the many readers of the *Star*, and, because he admires its principle and objects to Southern Pacific boycotts, he hereby does what he can to further the suggestion. Call for the *Star*. It is a brave publication—brave enough and good enough to be boycotted by the Southern Pacific Company of Kentucky.

WHEN THE BABY DIED.

When the baby died, so fair was she
Like a lily an angel had dropped for me—
That I said to myself: "She is only asleep,"
And I wondered that others would over her weep.
And I stooped and kissed her, half dreaming she
Would open her blue eyes unto me
And laugh again as on yesterday
And dimple and croon in the dear old way—
When the baby died.

When the baby died I could not weep.
And I said: "She is only asleep—asleep."
She will wake ere long, and I shall hear
The prattle I love best on my ear.
And I smoothed all gently the golden hair,
And I would not believe she was otherwhere,
As I cried: "My darling, look up and see."
But only the night wind answered me—
When the baby died.

When the baby died—sometimes I start
From a dream at night with a longing heart,
For I fancy I hear through the silence wide
A prattle of words from the babe that died.
Then my hands fall down, though they empty be,
For I know that my darling has gone from me,
And the night creeps into a sombre day,
While my heart cries out: "Come back, I pray"—
Since the baby died.

A LEAP YEAR TALE.

"Algernon."

"Lucile."

In reality their names were Thomas and Sarah, but this is to be a romantic story, and those names would knock the romance out of it. Hence the change.

"Algernon."

"Lucile."

"You know that this is Leap Year."

"I have feared it."

"Lend me a match and I will proceed, for I have something that I would say to thee."

"As the noble and manly young creature scratched the match on the right leg of her bloomers and lighted her cigar, her delicate companion could tell by the look in her eye that she meant business. Involuntarily he started toward the door, striving to escape, but in a moment her strong right hand was on his shoulder and she detained him.

"No, you don't, Thom—Algernon! You must long have recognized that I have been laying for you. A weaker woman might say that she loves you, but I scorn weakness and will only say: You will be mine."

"I—I—am willing to be a broth—"

"It doesn't go. The brother racket doesn't work with the New Woman. My income from my profession is sufficient to support both of us. You are well adapted, I believe, to grace my home, keep my house, nurse our children and be a gentle and tender companion to me. You will be mine."

"I—I—"

Through his brain surged a thousand thoughts. Was there no escape? Was he doomed? Was—Ha! An idea struck him.

"I appreciate much the honor you would bestow on me, but—but—I have a dreadful confession to make."

"Not that terrible De Smythe girl! She has not—"

"Oh, no, no; nothing like that. But I—I—cannot cook."

He was saved. Even the New Woman was compelled to admit that somebody must do the cooking.

Evangelist "Bob" Marshall, who is preaching in Marysville just now, said in a sermon the other night: "Death would be an angel in hell, if the people who are in hell should hear that the angel of death was coming. They would fall down at his feet and worship him." Should I ask this Evangelist "Bob" if he believes in a merciful God, he would answer, "I do." Then I would reply: So do I, Mr. Marshall; believe in him so devoutly and reverently that it is impossible for me to conceive of him as unforgiving and relentless. The Woodland *Democrat* says of your statement of the eternity of future punishment that your "awful exposition of the doctrine made unbelievers tremble with fear." I would, had I the power, teach every child that a God of love is behind these scenes. I would have him know that every sin brings its sure penalty, but I would not paint a demon and call him divine. I have looked in my mother's eyes, Evangelist Marshall, and I know—as God is my judge, I know—that I could do no evil thing which she would not forgive. Am I to believe that in capacity for forgiveness she, the created, is higher than her creator? In me it would be sacrilege did I so believe. No, no, Mr. Marshall; some day, a long ways off, over rough and thorny roads whereon our feet have faltered, we will all reach home.

A. J. W.

AUTOGRAPH BY SECRETARY WAITE.

[The following verses were written by the late Secretary Waite in the autograph album of Miss Louise A. Littleton:]

A lady comes, this book in hand,
And would a minstrel's rhyme command;
Alas! I'm not one of the band
That strike the lyre,
Else would I pour a lay most grand
With bardic fire.

Despite the interdiction laid—
"Of love no mention shall be made"—
I'd disregard of this fair maid
Heroine taboo,
And deftly on this page I'd braid
Love's garlands true.

For what are plushbound albums for?
Therefrom the soul's choice wish to bar?
Against the thought I'm in for war;
Who would inthrall
The longing heart, hammer of Thor
Crush one and all.

"No, spare"—'tis Love's own voice that cries—
"The one who would me sacrifice,
Till heaving breast, and tender eyes
Shall show my power;
Till captive led, and swiftly hies
The bridal hour."

E. G. W.

VALLEY ROAD MATTERS.

Letting Contracts and Pushing the work Forward.

From Saturday's Daily.

The Valley road promoters are not idle. Work is being pushed in many quarters.

To comply with the terms of the lease from the board of state harbor commissioners it has begun work at China basin. This work consists of driving piles for a superstructure on which to place rails to be used ultimately for the road when the franchise over Illinois and other streets shall be granted. It is involved in the question relative to street franchises at Fresno, now before the supreme court for decision.

Three sets of contracts were awarded by the directors Tuesday. One was for 300,000 redwood ties, to be delivered before November next. Half went to J. Meyer of San Jose and half to C. A. Hooper & Co. of San Francisco. Most of these ties will be used below Fresno. The fencing of the road with barbed wire and boards to a height of five feet from Stockton to the Stanislaus river was let to H. App and John A. Hayward of Stockton. There were three contracts for the iron for the bridge at Dry creek, between Stockton and the Tuolumne river. The cast-iron work was awarded to the Stockton Car, Machine and Agricultural Works, the rods, etc., to the Pacific Rolling Mills and the bolts to the Payne Bolt Works.

The ship Macdonald has arrived at San Francisco from New York with 700 tons more of rails for the Valley railway.

The piers for the Stanislaus river bridge have been completed and the frame is nearly ready. It will take about a month to erect it.

Why the Monarch Was Scooped.

From the Newspaper Maker.

"What the blankety blank is the matter with our correspondent at Willows?" shouted the managing editor of the *Examiner* to the telegraph editor, as he burst into the office with a copy of a rival daily in his hand. "Here is a story as big as a house from Willows, and that blankety blank son of a gun's slipped up on it."

The telegraph editor took the paper which his chief thrust at him, and saw two columns of a terrible tragedy which had paralyzed the community at Willows. A highly respected local druggist at that place, whose culture had made a mark for him among his fellows, had been foully murdered under circumstances of singular atrocity. It was a splendid story from a newspaper point of view, and all the dailies in the neighboring big city had made the most of it except the *Examiner*.

Nothing could have exceeded the manager-editor's wrath at being so badly scooped, and the telegraph editor's efforts to soothe the irate man were unavailing.

It was finally decided to investigate, and a telegram was sent to the delinquent correspondent, which brought a reply that changed tragedy into comedy. Here are the telegrams:

"Why was not murder reported by you for the *Examiner*? No further use for your services."

The answer: "Your correspondent was the man murdered. He has no further use for your paper."

These are facts. The *Examiner* of the above story is the one published in San Francisco.

THE NEW YEAR REPUBLICAN.

Esteemed Contemporaries Are Still Praising It.

From the San Francisco Report.

The FRESNO REPUBLICAN'S New Year's edition consisted of sixteen pages, twelve of which were devoted to a well prepared exposition of the manifold resources of our sister county. The text was embellished with fine illustrations. Such an edition will prove invaluable in attracting the attention of Eastern people to a favored spot in the San Joaquin valley.

From the Madera Tribune.

The New Year's edition of the FRESNO REPUBLICAN was a mammoth one both as to the size of the paper and the valuable articles of general interest it contained. The REPUBLICAN is one of the most enterprising journals on the coast and will continue to be such so long as Editor Short is kept at the helm.

The Next Citrus Fair.

From the Porterville Enterprise.

We congratulate our neighboring county, Fresno, for the excellent display it made at its citrus fair. Central California is a citrus belt, where good quality and early oranges are raised. We endorse Mr. Goldstein's suggestion of holding a joint fair next season, and we will do our utmost to make the Central California fair, the fair of the state.

Many witnesses are daily summoned before the grand jury.

Dyspepsia.

E. W. JOY COMPANY—Gentlemen: I have taken your Vegetable Sarsaparilla and can say I have never seen anything equal to it. I have suffered ten years with dyspepsia, not being able to eat anything but milk and brown bread. Life was nothing but misery for me. Now I have a good appetite, eat anything I wish and feel no disagreeable effects from it. I wish I could tell all dyspeptics and urge them to try your Vegetable Sarsaparilla.

[Signed] MR. JOHN TIMOTHY,
Forbestown, Cal.

If you want to get a spring medicine without a blotch, an old sarsaparilla trade-mark, a big patch of red pimples, take Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla.

EXCELLENT SCORES MADE.

Company F's Target Practice at the Belmont Grounds.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Company F held its usual practice shoot at the Belmont range last Sunday. The tie shoot between Lieutenant Collins and Sergeant Frembling for the second class medal of the series of 1895 was shot off, each man shooting thirty rounds. The shoot resulted in Lieutenant Collins beating Sergeant Frembling by ten points. The medal will therefore be awarded to the latter.

The tie between Captain Jones, Lieutenant Wolcott and Private Zipperlen for the championship medal of the series of 1895 will be settled next Sunday by each man firing thirty rounds.

The following excellent shooting was done by the men at the practice:

G. R. Andrews 42, O. F. Packard 42, A. Zepperlen 42, T. L. Craghead 42, J. H. Clark 42, Captain Jones 41, Lieutenant Wolcott 41, Dorsey Wheeler 41, Charles Lane 41, O. C. Hart 40, A. F. Peters 40, Holmes Mitchell 39, Spofford 39, F. W. Hansen 38, Harry Mitchell 38, W. L. Kellogg 38, Palmer 38, B. F. Hemphill 38, W. M. Baillie 37, J. E. Maiden 37, F. H. Sinclair 35, H. Gilbert 35, A. E. Coombs 34, V. Peters 34, Seberg 33, B. D. Maxson, 33, G. F. Beardslee 33, C. Robinson 33, Keneth Baillie 31, O. A. Beardslee 30.

Company F will hold its first shoot for the second series medals for 1896 next Sunday. The men are showing great interest in the contest and the beautiful medals offered are worthy of their zeal. The marked improvement in the scores indicate that Company F is fast climbing to a first place in the Sixth regiment as a company of marksmen.

HOW TO GET RICH.

Two Views of the Art of Money Making Contrasted.

From the Alameda Telegram.

Marshal Field, one of Chicago's millionaires, when asked how to get rich, replied that the essential qualities to the pursuit of economy were industry, economy and a cheerful disposition. This was from the point of view of a man who had got his millions. A reform lecturer says "he who would become very rich nowadays must lay aside all ideas of honesty and become conscienceless and unscrupulous." This was from the point of view of a man who had not got his millions. There is only a grain of truth in either view. Industry and economy are minor aids in getting rich. The average man cannot earn in the course of a lifetime one-tenth of a million dollars. If he does not possess the money-making faculty to an eminent degree, old age will overtake him before he has earned and saved more than a competence. The other view is equally fallible as a rule. If laying aside all ideas of honesty contributed to the acquisition of wealth, millionaires would abound. Making money beyond the ordinary capacity to earn money is a gift. Every man cannot make money more than every man can become a great orator, a great poet or a great painter. Industry is an aid, but a minor one; so is economy. But a man who lays aside all ideas of honesty will find it hard to get rich. He must work under exceptional conditions to succeed. He will find himself a persona non grata in combinations that he would like to get into. He must at least preserve enough idea of honesty to keep on the right side of the law. To a few men the time comes when the law can be ignored, but very few rise to the exalted position.

HOW TO PRUNE VINES.

A Correspondent Offers a Few Useful Suggestions.

EDITOR REPUBLICAN:—I have read with interest an article recently published in your paper on grapevine pruning. The writer of that article must know that each branch has two eyes, or buds, more or less developed at the base, which, with those mentioned in the letter, make five. The shorter the branch is cut back the more chance those two eyes have of growing. They often outgrow the branches springing from the buds which are purposely left to bear fruit. But they cannot bear good clusters if those others are allowed to outgrow them.

In my opinion it makes a great deal of difference, even in a Muscat vine, where you have the spurs and other fruit-wood. A branch with more than two eyes is not a spur. All growth coming from underneath, or from near the surface (vines three years old) should always be regarded as suckers, never as fruit-wood, except when necessary.

I doubt very much if the writer of the letter above referred to has ever seen or tried a real vineyardist of Continental Europe. If he had, he would not say that they would ruin a Muscat vineyard. A great many claim to be vineyardists who are not. They may have had experience, but experience without intelligence cannot make a vineyardist.

PHIL G. SCHLUCH.

Court Notes.

The following business was transacted in the several departments of the superior court yesterday:

BEFORE JUDGE WEBB, DEPARTMENT 3.

People vs. T. M. Martin; arraigned; entered plea of not guilty; will plead tomorrow.

People vs. Frank Granger; plea of not guilty; trial February 11th.

BEFORE JUDGE RISLEY, DEPARTMENT 1.

F. F. Letcher vs. H. E. Barnum; motion of plaintiff to dismiss the motion of the defendant for a new trial taken under advisement.

In the estate of C. B. Wood; final account allowed and decree of distribution signed.

J. H. Sayre vs. J. I. Necker, plaintiff's motion to file amended and supplemental complaint argued and taken under advisement.

In the insolvency of Frederick C. Shumard; order fixing hearing of a motion to set apart a homestead and personal property.

Insolvency of James E. Hughes; petition for final discharge taken under advisement.

Mary Freyman vs. John N. Freyman; defendant withdraws demurrer and is given ten days to answer.

Alice J. B. Bolinger vs. John F. Bolinger; demurrer taken under advisement.

O'Brien vs. New Zealand Insurance Company; continued one week.

Robert Balkwell vs J. A. Eastman et al.; decree signed.

BEFORE JUDGE CARTER, DEPARTMENT 2.

J. F. Cadogan vs. Southern Pacific Railroad Company; demurrer to amended complaint submitted.

Oakland Bank of Savings vs. John P. Clark; motion to vacate judgment continued one week.

The People vs. Robert Anderson; time for sentence continued one week.

W. Rigby, Jr., vs. Farmers' Bank et al.; trial January 23d.

A. A. Snow et al. vs. Jay Scott et al.; demurrer to amended cross-complaint submitted.

George H. Andrues vs. A. B. Butler et all.; motion for a new trial continued till today.

The People vs. D. C. Sample; judgment for the plaintiff.

The People vs. J. O. Colwell; judgment for the plaintiff.

Joseph Howard was yesterday tried before a jury in Justice St. John's court on a charge of petty larceny preferred by D. A. Leonard. Howard was found guilty. He was defended by George L. Hood, while Deputy District Attorney Williams conducted the prosecution.

NO TROUBLE ANTICIPATED.

Public Officers Can Protect the Interests of the Competing Road.

From the San Francisco Call.

The unexplained supreme court decision denying the writ of mandate sued for by the Valley road against the trustees of the city of Fresno by no means stops the progress of this great undertaking. The directors of the road wanted the trustees of Fresno to give a right of way through the city. The trustees, uncertain as to whether the law required them to put up the desired franchise at auction, went with the directors on an agreed case before the supreme court, and that body has merely denied the writ asked for compelling the trustees to grant the privilege without offering it at auction. No reason is given for the decision and no plan of relief is suggested.

It will now remain with the trustees, not only of Fresno, but of all the other towns through which the Valley road proposes to pass, to act intelligently in the interest of the public and wholly within the law. It has been assumed that the bitter animosity of the Southern Pacific for the new road will take the form of opposing bids for any privilege that may be desired by the Valley road, and that in this way the road may be kept out of the valley.

In case such opposing bids are offered it will be within the province of the authorities to determine whether they are offered in good faith, impose restrictions which would make proceedings in bad faith dangerous, and ascertain whether questions of public right and convenience are involved. It would be manifestly absurd and unjust to recognize a bid for a franchise which cannot be desired as part of a plan to run a railroad through a town.

Bold and overbearing as the Southern Pacific is it realizes that it has as many enemies at present as it cares to encounter, and we need not expect it to make such a shameless opposition to the progress of the new line as is feared. Nor can it be imagined that there are public officers in the San Joaquin valley who could be induced to lend their power to any such plan should it be undertaken. The Valley road offers the first and only hope for that section of the state, and the people whose homes and interests are there will not permit it to be smothered. The decision by the supreme court, therefore, gives no ground for a fear that the progress of the new road will be checked.

A Household Treasure.

D. W. Fuller of Canajoharie, N.Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman, druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy; that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at Webster Bros' drug store. Regular size 50c and $1.

Did You Ever

Try Electric Bitters as a remedy for your troubles? If not, get a bottle now and get relief. This medicine has been found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all Female Complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have Loss of Appetite, Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, or are nervous, Sleepless, Excitable, Melancholy or are troubled with Dizzy Spells, Electric Bitters is the medicine you need. Health and strength are guaranteed by its use. Large bottles only 50 cents at Webster Bros.' drug store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Webster Bros., Druggists, corner K and Mariposa streets, Fresno.

Kidney

E. W. JOY COMPANY—Gentlemen: I have suffered from kidney trouble for two or three years. I would have to get up in the night to void my urine from ten to fifteen times. My sleep was disturbed, and I became very thin and nervous. No appetite, bowels constipated. I have taken two bottles and gained fifteen pounds. Sleep well. Have to get up about three times during night, and am very much better in every respect. Will continue to take your Vegetable Sarsaparilla, for believe it will entirely cure me.

[Signed] MR. EDWARD W. FRENCH,
Stockton, Cal.

Joy's for the Jaded.
Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla.

MARRIED.

HEDRICK—DULL—At Tehachapi, Cal., January 12, 1896, W. L. Hedrick of Fresno and Miss Kate S. Dull of that town.

DIED.

McLAUGHLIN—In Grand Manand, New Brunswick, January 13, 1896, Captain Daniel McLaughlin, a native of Noria Scotia, aged 72 years.

CLOWDIS—In this city, January 11, 1896, T. N. Clowdis, aged 44 years.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Edwin D Smith and wife to Hans Sorensen, be¼ of ne¼ of nw¼, sec 10, t 15, r 20; $10.

John E Nicholson to Mary Belt Nicholson, lots 3 and 4, blk 141, Fresno; $10.

Henry Miller and wife to Nathaniel A Jones, lot 14, blk 40, Mendota; $225.

Fresno Loan and Savings Bank et al to W G Uridge, lots 19 and 20, blk 123, Fresno; $1051.

W G Uridge to D L Stutzman, lots 19 and 20, blk 123, Fresno; $10.

Thomas J Wilder to Ida H Bigelow, lots 29 and 30, blk 2, Villa add; $50.

L H Guion to Rosie Guion, lots 35, 37, 33, blk 1, Griffith's add, Fresno; $5.

United States to Charles V Thompson, sec 12, t 19, r 18.

I N Pattison and wife to Fresno REPUBLICAN, lots 21 and 22, blk 170, Sanger Heights; $10.

W D Bowen et al to Mrs A H Hamilton, lots 19, 18, 19 and 20, blk 29, Clovis; $10.

A R Shultz to Matilda and J P Clough, s½ of se¼, sec 20, t 21, r 18; $10.

Edwin J Boyd to James W Beachley, w½ of se¼, sec 33, t 16, r 22; $10.

W D Grady to Julia B Presley, se¼ of se¼, sec 1, t 15, r 23; $120.

Herman Lead to Viola E Hart, lots 17 and 18, blk 153, Fresno; $400.

W W Phillips, commissioner, to Margaret F Anderson, lots 25 to 32, blk 160; $1217.

Arthur L Ross to Francis Ross, lots 7 to 14, blk O, South Park add, Selma; $1.

Annie E Diffenbacher to F K Prescott et al; a portion of blk 130, Fresno, for the Valley road; $400.

J M Purvis and wife to Ella L Gray, lot 163, Kingsburg colony; $1500.

Catarrh.

E. W. JOY COMPANY—Gentlemen: I have just completed the second bottle of your Vegetable Sarsaparilla. I have had catarrh for years which affected my eyes, hearing and stomach. Frequently would have dull headache for days at a time. Since taking your remedy I have felt no disagreeable symptom.

Trusting you will publish this, as I want any one suffering from any of the above symptoms to be benefited. Kindly send me two more bottles by return express. [Signed]

MR. FREDERICK DE RICHMOND,
Seattle, Wash.

Every mail brings a new batch of testimonials for Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla.

Notice of Assessment

Collins Canal Company, Fresno, Fresno county, California, December 6th, 1895.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT A meeting of the Directors held on the 6th day of December, 1895, an assessment of $1 per share was levied on the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately to the secretary at his office, 1152 J street, Fresno. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 10th day of January, 1896, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on the 8th day of February, 1896, to pay the delinquent assessment together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

d20 ALEX. GORDON, Secretary.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS

Amendments to Standing Rules Advocated.

CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

Offered by Morgan Relating to the Independent Stand Taken by Transvaal.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—The debate on the senate free coinage substitute for the house bond bill was opened today by Senator Jones of Arkansas in a two-hours' speech, which was followed with close attention. Mr. Jones took strong ground for the free and independent coinage of silver, contending that that was the only method by which the distress in the country could be alleviated, and the treasury department relieved from its dependence on the speculative holders of gold.

There was no reply to Mr. Jones' argument today, but the debate will be resumed when the senate meets again on Monday.

During the morning hour Mr. Pritchard, Republican, of North Carolina, made a speech in favor of the re-enactment of the McKinley law, and Mr. White, Democrat, of California, made some remarks in favor of amending the rules of the senate so as to give the majority the power to bring a measure to a vote whenever it saw fit.

He favored Senator Hill's proposition put forward in the last congress for cloture whenever the majority of the senate was ready to vote. He also favored a "quorum counting" device to do away with another parliamentary fiction. The antiquity of the senate rules, in his opinion, did not make them sacred, and they should not be allowed to stand in the way of parliamentary progress. He carefully reviewed the abuses that had grown more and more intolerable and cited many instances where the plain will of the majority had been thwarted for days, weeks and months by the determined stand of the minority. The dignity of the senate would not be maintained by clinging to rules which permitted interminable filibusters, and must eventually bring the senate into discredit with the people.

"The objections to the procedure of the senate which I have urged are not conceived in partisanship, but arise from a deliberately formed judgment that the public welfare is involved and that it is imperative that attention should be paid to the well grounded and universal demand for the adoption of an improved plan. Our rules should be reasonable.

"Let us have argument, but not argument lasting long after all have ceased to listen. Let us protect the minority, but permit the majority to assert their manifest privilege."

At the conclusion of Mr. White's speech, Mr. Morgan of Alabama introduced the following resolution congratulating the republic of Transvaal on its stand for independence, which was referred to the committee on foreign relations:

Resolved, That the United States, through their representatives in congress, convey to the president and the people of the republic of Transvaal their earnest congratulations upon their success in establishing a free representative government, republican in form, and in their opposition to any foreign power that denies to them the full enjoyment of their rightful liberties. The people of America having recognized, through the favor of the God of nations, the blessings of government based upon the consent of the governed, entertain with confidence the pleasing hope and belief that the principles of self-government will be securely established through the influence of the republic of France in her colonies, and the republics of Liberia and the Transvaal founded by the people of Africa; and that these republics will foster and give support to the peaceful progress of Christian civilization in the new and vast field now being opened to the commerce and institutions of all the nations of the earth throughout the great continent.

Resolved, That the President of the United States is requested to communicate this action of congress to the president of the Transvaal republic.

The Senate, at 5.30, adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—The house gave its time today to discussion of the proposed amendments of the rules of the Fifty-first congress which were provisionally adopted early in the session to govern this house. Two interesting discussions relieved the monotony of the debate. One was precipitated by Mr. Walker of Massachusetts, chairman of the banking and currency committee, who made a fight against the proposition to drop the committee on banking and currency from the list of committees privileged to report bills to the house at any time. A partisan debate resulted, in which Mr. Walker was supported by the Democrats and a Republican contingent which included many free silver men.

Bailey offered an amendment to Walker's amendment including the committee on coinage.

After a somewhat animated debate, in which Walker accused Dalzell of having taken the committee to the door and kicked it out, Bailey's amendment was defeated by a vote of 111 to 183. Walker's amendment was then defeated by a vote of 112 to 160.

Another surprise was brought into the debate by Mr. Hepburn, Republican, of Iowa, who made a vigorous speech against the usual rule, putting in the hands of the speaker discretion in the matter of recognizing members to speak. He said that if any principle was well established it was the equality of every constituency with every ear on the floor; yet members were surrendering their power and their equal rights to the speaker, and putting into his hands the power to paralyze any constituency through a whole congress. Mr. Hepburn would make it the speaker's duty to recognize the members who first addressed him.

Mr. Henderson, Republican of Iowa, replied that a startling innovation was proposed. He conceded that great power was given the speaker, but under any other system every member would have to be heard on every question. It was proper that the speaker should first recognize the members of the committee which reported any bill under discussion.

Mr. Hepburn rose and said: "I desire to withdraw my amendment," and there was great applause and shouts of laughter on the Republican side.

At 5 o'clock the house adjourned until tomorrow.

KERN RIVER TO LOS ANGELES

A Company Will Convey Electricity One Hundred Miles.

BAKERSFIELD, January 11.—The Supervisors today gave permission over highways of the county to the Kern River and Los Angeles Power Company for poles and wires. This company proposes to convey electric power from Kern river near Kernville to Los Angeles, a distance of about 100 miles. The franchise sold for $25.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $179,-409,577; gold reserve, $57,932,164.

THE WARE MURDER.

A Railroad Man Thinks Durrant Knows Something About It.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 10.—Don Cameron, a railroad man of Los Angeles, thinks that Theodore Durrant had something to do with the murder of Eugene Ware, the young drug clerk, who was stabbed to death in St. Nicholas pharmacy about a year ago. Cameron came here for his health shortly before the Ware murder and every night frequented the drug store where the murder occurred. On the night of the murder he says he saw a man who he thinks was Durrant approach the store with a young woman. The man waited outside and the woman went in and had an earnest conversation with Ware. Previous to that Cameron had seen the same man with two girls in the store, engaged in an angry conversation with Ware. Cameron says he has never seen Durrant, but that this man resembles the pictures of the Emmanuel church murderer.

It was suggested some time ago that perhaps Durrant might have committed the Ware murder, but he said he did not know Ware and had never been in the drug store.

BAKERSFIELD MAN MISSING.

James Huntington Arrested for Talking to a Jury.

BAKERSFIELD, January 10.—The case of the People vs. Jack Woodrough, for assault to kill, has been on trial three days. Today James Huntington met two jurors at lunch and asked if a verdict had been reached, and when they said no he added, "Well, if you don't hang him the people will hang you." The jurors immediately reported the conversation to Judge Conklin, who ordered Huntington's arrest. The jurors did not know Huntington's name, but they went with an officer and found him. He was released on $500 bond to appear tomorrow and answer for contempt.

On Christmas Ed Jesurun, of the firm of Jesurun & Colton, commission merchants, left for Los Angeles with two cars of fat hogs. He sold the hogs, got the cash and has not been heard of since. His wife lives in Los Angeles and says he started for Bakersfield December 28th. He left about property enough here to make Colton good for his share in the shipment of hogs. Jesurun has been here two years, but his family resided all the time in Los Angeles. They came here from Cripple Creek, Col.

A PLOT DISCOVERED

TO CAUSE AN UPRISING IN HAVANA

And Turn the City Over to the Insurgents—Movements of Armies.

HAVANA, January 10.—The lull which seemed to have taken place in the activities of the insurgents in the past few days have given place once more to an unexpected dash on the part of Maximo Gomez into the heart of the rich tobacco growing district of Pinar del Rio.

Confident claims have been made for several days past on the part of the authorities that the time was fast approaching when the insurgents were to pay the penalty for their temerity and when the Spanish were to close in upon them as in a trap and annihilate them. The sympathizers with the insurgents have themselves not been free from keen anxiety at the persistent stand the leaders were making on the northern coast of Pinar del Rio and almost up to the outskirts of Havana itself.

The news cabled last evening that Gomez had passed Alquizar and Guira Melena, in Havana province, was received with relief by the friends of the insurgents, though the direction he had taken beyond that was not known, but it was not generally supposed he was bent upon retreat into the eastern provinces, glad to escape the trap set for him.

It is now evident he was merely making a pretense at the real to mislead his enemy, and meantime he has once more countermarched, like a fox, doubling up on its own tracks, and tonight he has received his whole effective force in the tobacco district in the southern part of Pinar del Rio, ready to visit destruction upon the tobacco crop, and has already widely visited upon the sugar crop.

There are indistict rumors here that an important expedition for the relief of the insurgents has been landed upon the northern coast of Pinar del Rio. The boldness of the insurgents in remaining upon this coast in the face of danger of being cut off has been attributed to their expectation of the landing of the expedition.

The authorities have discovered evidence of what they consider a conspiracy to cause an uprising in Havana, and to hand the city over to the insurgents. The conspiracy is believed to be widely ramified, and its discovery is causing grave uneasiness in Havana, and suspicions that the disaffection is much more widely disseminated than has been admitted. Thirty persons have been arrested for complicity in the plot, and eight have been imprisoned, while Aquilino Solano, police inspector for the port of Havana, has been relieved from duty.

An engagement has occurred between the combined columns of Generay Navarro and Colonel Arizon and the bands led by Maceo and Zayas at a point between the plantations of Ragaldo and Begona in the district of Cabanas. The Spaniards, it is reported, took the insurgents' position, who fled, leaving twelve killed and carrying off many wounded.

Conference of Legislators.

SALT LAKE, January 11.—A call has been signed for a conference of the Republican members of the legislature on Tuesday night next. It is believed then the strength of the senatorial candidates will be strongly indicated. There has been very little change in the situation during the past week and no additional candidates have been developed. Several candidates claim to have votes enough to elect, but it is evident that many members have not fully made up their minds on this subject and will make no statement that will bind them in future action.

Ordered to Leave Town.

SANTA CRUZ, January 11.—This evening a delegation of about fifty men and women called at the house occupied by G. M. Sanford and wife, and ordered them to leave town in ten days or severe measures would be taken. Sanford was absent, but his wife promised they would leave as soon as possible. The people are charged with immoral practices, which were resented by their neighbors.

A Writer Found Dead.

DENVER, January 10.—Walter Clark Nichols, who arrived in Denver last night from New York, was found dead in bed in the St. James hotel today. Nichols came to Colorado for the purpose of writing up the Cripple Creek gold district for the Harper Brothers Publishing Company. He had long suffered from heart trouble.

One Year in Folsom.

SACRAMENTO, January 10.— William Verheim, a saloonkeeper who was found guilty of receiving stolen property, was today sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the penitentiary at Folsom.

BOER POLICE IN CHARGE

Disarming at Johannesburg Completed.

PUBLIC FEELING IN LONDON

That There Are Many Details of the Complication Which Are Not Generally Known.

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LONDON, January 10.—There is a feeling abroad in London tonight that there are many details of the complication into which the foreign officers of the empire have been placed which have never been published, and much speculation is indulged in by the public. So far as official information goes the situation seems to be improved.

The mystery of the naval preparations occupies a large place in the public mind, and the conclusion arrived at by the attentive public after thus thinking it over, is that the tremendous activity displayed, not only in the fitting out of the flying squadron, but in the rushing forward in the navy yards, arsenals and supply shops for war material, do not appear wholly necessary on account of the condition of relations with Germany. It is also felt that it is difficult to see for what point the flying squadron, which, together with the existing available squadrons with which it is proposed to join it, will form, it is said, the most powerful fleet of war vessels ever put afloat, is destined.

The situation in the Transvaal is undoubtedly greatly improved, and unless President Kruger has made extortionate demands, such as of the complete independence of his republic and freedom from the suzerainty of Great Britain, and has received the support of Germany in favor of these commands, such a powerful fleet as is being prepared will not be needed at Delagoa Bay. In fact, the whole future of South Africa now depends upon the nature of the demand made by Kruger, whose response to the Queen's message, addressed to him in third person through Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, is, to say the the least, not effusive. In fact, it virtually declares that the President will hold Dr. Jameson and the other members of his expedition, who were taken with him, hostages of the disarmament of Johannesburg, whose time for grace for the surrender of the arms held by the Uitlanders expires at 6 o'clock this evening. These Uitlanders who have not yet yielded their arms at that time are to be excluded from the amnesty to be granted to those who participated in the uprising. The indemnity demanded by the Transvaal government from the chartered South Africa company is variously stated at from £500,000 to £2,000,000.

The disturbance in the Transvaal has lead to an exceedingly heavy stock exchange account, and especially for chartered South Africa and consolidated and gold fields.

Brokers are having difficulty in obtaining payment from weak holders, who have hoped to be able to carry over their stock, but have refused to do so in view of the disturbed political situation. Some of the differences paid have been very heavy. In two instances they amounted respectively to £80,000 and £35,000. The former sum was paid, but in the second case the payment is reported to have been a matter of temporary arrangement. Several failures are expected to occur.

The statement circulated here today that the admiralty had decided upon the formation of a second special squadron created a good deal of excitement when it was announced, but it was later officially denied.

BOER POLICE IN CONTROL.

LONDON, January 11.—The *Times* has a dispatch from Pretoria, dated January 8th, which says: The disarming at Johannesburg has been completed without mishap, and the Boer police now patrol the town. The crisis is now practically ended, and orders have been issued for all Boer commanders to proceed to Pretoria, where they meet today. Thus ends this unique revolution, during which not even a policeman has been knocked in the head and not a single act of violence has been committed. President Kruger and the executive have exhibited remarkable coolness throughout. The stability of the government has been unmistakably displayed. There is a remarkable absence of excitement here, but feelings have been aroused which will not be allayed for years.

VIOLATED REVENUE LAWS.

A Wealthy Monterey Citizen Arrested On the Charge.

MONTEREY, January 10.—J. Urbanus, one of the wealthiest citizens of Monterey was arrested last night, charged with extensive violations of the United States internal revenue laws. Urbanus is a grocer, liquor and cigar merchant, and his offense consisted in putting cheap cigars into boxes that had originally contained a higher grade of goods. These cheap cigars he sold under the name of the first class brands on the boxes. For several days United States officers have been here, and it was thought they were after smugglers. The arrest of Urbanus has caused a great sensation in Monterey. He was taken to Salinas, the county seat, tonight.

Defective Armor Plate.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—A second test has been made at the Indian Head proving grounds of the 8-inch steel plate representing the armor of the Iowa and Brooklyn. On the first test several days ago the plate was broken at one end into three pieces. The second test was on the remaining portion, and this too was shattered. Another plate will be tried in about ten days, and if this proves defective the entire lot of armor will be rejected.

Dr. Jameson to be Tried.

LONDON, January 11. — A dispatch from Johannesburg dated the 10th, says it is reported from Pretoria that Dr. Jameson and other officers have been started for Natal, where they will be handed over to the British authorities to be tried under the laws making it a punishable offense to prepare a warlike demonstration against a friendly state.

Woodrough Acquitted.

BAKERSFIELD, January 11.—The case of James Huntington, charged with contempt of court in threatening jurors in the Woodrough case, was postponed two weeks, today. Huntington is very penitent, and says he did not realize what his words to the jurors meant. Woodrough was acquitted by the jury.

The Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 7.—Wheat —Steady; May, $1.07½.
Barley—May, 70½c.
Corn—87½c.
Bran—$14 per ton.

Constable Indicted.

BAKERSFIELD, January 11.—The grand jury filed an indictment against Tom Orr, constable at Delano, for assault with a deadly weapon.

SAN FRANCISCO RACES.

A Jockey Suspended for Fouling Collins Thursday.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 10. — The fourth race at Ingleside was declared off today owing to scratches, and but five races were run, the best of which was the mile race. MacDonough's Chartreuse, who was backed into favoritism, made a runaway race of it, winning by three lengths. The time, 1.41¼, is the fastest ever made at the Ingleside track.

Caldwell found it a very difficult task to get the horses off, owing to the large fields, there being from twelve to fifteen starters in the different events, and the last race was run off in semi-darkness.

Chartreuse and Olive were the only winning favorites, second choices securing the other events.

Jockey W. Martin has been indefinitely suspended, pending an investigation as to his ride on Pepper yesterday, it being claimed that he intentionally fouled Collins.

Weather fine, attendance large, track fast. Summaries:

Five furlongs—Minnie won, Uncertainty 2, Kathleen 3. Time, 1.02¼.

Six furlongs—Rey Del Bandidos won, Pique 2, Caliente 3. Time, 1.15¼.

One mile—Chartreuse won, Morvin 2, Allover 3. Time, 1.41¼.

Six furlongs—Olive won, Tim Murphy 2, Clacquer 3. Time, 1.15¼.

Five furlongs—Brawscott won, Soledad 2, Catchem 3. Time, 1.01¼.

A WHITE ELEPHANT.

The Midwinter Fair Electric Tower Must Be Blown Down.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 10.—An attempt will be made tomorrow to pull over the electric tower that was one of the attractions of the Midwinter Fair. The park commissioners wish to move the big iron structure and offered to give it to any one who would take it away. No one wanted to undertake the task of tearing it down, although the material in it is valuable, and the park commissioners are compelled to do the work themselves. Today the earth around the concrete was shoveled away. Holes will be drilled in the concrete and dynamite will be used to shatter the foundations. A wire cable has been fastened to the top of the tower, and if the explosion does not cause the tower to fall an attempt will be made to topple it over with the cable. The tower is about 350 feet high.

VENEZUELA COMMISSION

WILL MEET TODAY AND PERFECT AN ORGANIZATION.

A Secretary Will be Elected and Permanent Quarters Decided Upon.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—The Venezuelan boundary commission will meet in the diplomatic rooms of the state department at 10 o'clock tomorrow for the purpose of perfecting its organization for business. Among those mentioned for the office of secretary is Mr. W. E. Curtis, formerly director of the bureau of American republics, and Mr. Partridge of Vermont, formerly solicitor of the state department and minister to Venezuela under President Harrison.

Mr. Landis, the private secretary to the late Secretary Gresham, has been suggested in this connection, but inasmuch as he has just been appointed a special assistant district attorney to assist in the prosecution of the beef trust cases, it is believed that he does not desire the appointment. The selection of permanent quarters for the commission will probably be decided at tomorrow's meeting.

Justice Brewer and Chief Justice Alvey were appointed a special committee to consider the question, and it is understood they are ready to report.

Professor Andrew White of New York, who was unable to attend the meeting last Saturday, is expected here soon. It is understood he will be the guest of Secretary Lamont. Justice Brewer and Judge Alvey are already here, and Mr. Coudert and Professor Gilman are expected to arrive from New York and Baltimore respectively in time to insure a full attendance of members at tomorrow's meeting.

CLAIM A SHARE.

Los Angeles Men Bring Suit Against Their Uncle's Estate.

KANSAS CITY, January 10.—Ferdinand Heim and George M. Heim of Los Angeles, Cal., brought suit through their attorney in the probate court against the estate of the late Ferd Heim, the millionaire brewer, who was the head of the Heim Brewing Company. The plaintiffs are the sons of Michael Heim, the brother of the late Ferdinand Heim. They assert that their father and Ferdinand Heim were equal partners in a business which resulted in the large estate which Ferd Heim left at his death. They say that Ferd Heim continued to conduct the business without a division of interest after their father's death, and they ask for a half interest in all of Ferd Heim's estate.

Ferd Heim died at his home in East St. Louis last September, leaving an estate valued at a million dollars. His direct heirs are his sons, Joseph J. Heim, Michael Heim and Ferdinand Heim. It was stated at the time of Heim's death that he and his brother Michael had been partners in business up to the time of Michael Heim's death several years ago. His three sons were made the beneficiaries of his will. The estate includes property in St. Louis and East St. Louis, the large brewery in the east and other property in California.

WOOL GROWERS ORGANIZE.

Stockton to Be Made a Storage and Sale Point.

STOCKTON, January 10.—The San Joaquin Wool Growers' Association was formed here today with a dozen or more prominent growers present. Letters expressing sympathy with the movement were received from many others living in the valley and the adjoining mountain counties. Henry Fiske of this city was elected president and C. E. Williams secretary. The proceedings were in secret, but it is known that the object of the organization is to make this a storage and sale point for the growers. A committee was appointed to get from warehousemen rates for storage of wool. A local agent will be appointed to handle wool shipped here by members of the association.

Promising Gold Field.

DENVER, January 13.—Saw Pit gulch, in Southwestern Colorado, is coming to the front as a most promising gold field. A. S. Blake, the first discoverer of gold there, has sold through George Crawford of New York, the Commercial group of mines for $250,000, and the Belle Champion for $50,000.

Killed by Electricity.

SAN JOSE, January 11.—George W. Hoffman, engineer at the works of the Electrical Improvement Company, was killed tonight. He was engaged in turning on the circuits and in some way received the effect of 2500 volts, which passed through his body. He lived ten minutes.

WELCOME SHOWERS

Rain That is Greatly Appreciated.

REJOICING IN ALL DIRECTIONS

Farmers and Stockmen in High Spirits—Prospects for Crops.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 13.—Telegrams received tonight show that rain fell today along the coast of California from the northern extremity of the state nearly to Los Angeles. On account of the light rainfalls of this winter the shower was much appreciated by farmers, to whom it was of great value. The following dispatches show the area covered by the rain:

Marysville—Half an inch of rain has fallen within the last twenty-four hours and there is prospects of more. The rain was badly needed by the farmers. Horticultural Commissioner Harvey says the outlook for the fruit crop is much better at this season than last.

Red Bluff—The rain that commenced last night is falling gently but to no great extent. Not enough has fallen to wet the ground for the farmers to plow. Crops have suffered some, not materially. The farmers are joyful at the prospect of a heavy fall tonight.

Ukiah—Rain commenced falling yesterday afternoon and has continued intermittingly ever since. The precipitation is not heavy but warm and very beneficial. Crop prospects are unusually good.

Madera—Rain began falling this afternoon and the prospects are for a continuous downpour throughout the night. It is most welcome to the farmers as plowing and seeding grain had been suspended owing to the dryness of the season.

Healdsburg—It has rained steadily all day and the indications are good for a continuance. The rain is just what stockmen and farmers needed for the cold weather kept the grass and grain back. The present downpour insures crops of all kinds.

Bakersfield — Nothing suffering for rain, but some farmers have stopped seeding to see what the season will be. The principal cause of apprehension is the lack of snow in the mountains. The water for summer irrigation comes from the snow in the Sierras and so far but little has been deposited. The irrigators are preparing to make full use of the water in the spring months. Feed in the foothills needs rain badly.

Woodland—A light rain has been falling today and the indications indicate more. Early sown grain is up and looks well. The shower will sprout the late sown. The ground is in better condition than it has been for many years. If there is the usual amount of rain from this time on the grain crop of Yolo county will be very large.

Merced—Rain commenced falling here before daylight this morning, and though the weather cleared up somewhat during the day, the storm resumed tonight and it is now pouring down with every prospect of an all night fall. Farmers have been very anxious for rain for several weeks. The prospects for a heavy crop are now excellent.

Redding—Rain began falling early this morning, but so far it is gentle and little moisture has precipitated. The farmers needed the rain, but were not suffering.

Hollister—Much to the farmers' relief the dry spell has been broken at last. After threatening to rain for the last two days it started in this afternoon, and the prospects are good for its continuance. The farmers were commencing to feel blue over the prospects as rain was greatly needed before plowing.

Santa Rosa—Sonoma county is enjoying the best rain that has visited this part of the county for many weeks. Rain commenced falling early this morning and has been coming down gently ever since. The county needed rain badly.

Lathrop—Rain commenced falling intermittingly this afternoon. Tonight bids fair for a great rainfall. It is feared that much grain has rotted, as many acres have been sown in this vicinity.

Cloverdale—This section was visited by a very needy rain last night and continued throughout today. Owing to the continued cold weather the feed was very poor on the range, and hence the rain is of untold benefit.

Santa Cruz—Rain began falling last night and has been coming down ever since. The farmers are pleased, as it gives assurance of bountiful crops.

Stanford University—The rainstorm that has been gathering for the past week commenced about noon and has continued steadily ever since. Farmers are rejoicing. The precipitation is of incalculable benefit to growing grain.

Stockton—The rainfall here for the past twenty-four hours has been just what was needed, and farmers are as happy as rain could make them. It is the general opinion that no season ever promised better at this time. The rain has fallen when most needed and not a drop has been lost. The fall up to this evening averages from three-quarters to one inch throughout the county, and rain is still falling. Here the fall at 8 o'clock is 72-100 of an inch and raining steadily.

Sacramento — The rainfall which this section has had during the past twenty-four hours, while not very heavy, has done incalculable good. Farmers and orchardists had begun complaining, as the rainfall so far this season is ten inches less than it was at an equal date last year. According to reports received here by the state weather bureau, rain is badly needed in Southern California and in the San Joaquin valley.

REFUSED THE WRIT.

RAILROAD FRANCHISE MUST BE SOLD ON BIDS.

May Cause Delays in the Construction of the San Joaquin Valley Road.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 1.—The supreme court has struck a blow at the San Joaquin Valley railroad by refusing to grant a writ of mandate compelling the trustees of Fresno to sell a franchise for the road through the city of Fresno without going through the process of receiving bids at auction as required by a provision of the Political Code of California. The railroad wanted to buy the franchise outright and so asked for a writ of mandate, which has been denied. This decision may be provocative of some trouble for other towns and cities along the proposed line of route may follow Fresno's example and the projected enterprise be hampered by many delays.

Selma Bank Will Take Bonds.

SELMA, January 13.—At a meeting of the board of directors today the Bank of Selma subscribed $10,000 to the new government bond issue and expressed their willingness to take more if necessary. The deposits in the bank are now 28 per cent greater than last year at this time.

Rain at last.

DREW THE COLOR LINE.

Oklahoma School Teachers Refuse Negroes Admission.

PERRY, O. T., January 13.—Since early morning the whole town has been intensely excited over the public school question. When the schools were opened this morning Prof. W. J. Augustine denied admittance to colored children in the high school or other public school buildings, except those designated months ago for the exclusive use of colored children. The exception was of George Washington Alexander Webster, a boy of 10 years, in whose name the mandamus proceedings were brought three months ago, and decided in his favor. Prof. Augustine holds that the decree of the court applies only to this one boy.

In the high school building 500 white children and 50 colored children, two-thirds of the total number in town, assembled. A crowd of white men and negro men were there. White school boys had large stones in their pockets, with the intention of using them on negroes when they entered the building. It is said every negro child in the city asked for admittance. Officers escorted four colored children into the high school. The teacher made a vigorous protest against receiving them, but the children were made to sit down. It is rumored that the entire school board is to be arrested for contempt of court. White citizens threaten to tear down the jail if the arrests are made.

TRAIN COLLISION.

Engineer Killed and Cars and Engines Destroyed.

EL PASO, N. M., January 13.—A dense fog caused a collision on the Southern Pacific six miles west of El Paso, Texas, between a double header westbound freight and a construction train with the engine end. Three engines were destroyed and the freight of five flat cars was strewn all over the prairie. Five cars are in the Rio Grande river. Engineer Blanchard, aged 33, and unmarried, was instantly killed. Engineer Love has his wrist and ankle broken. Travel was delayed ten hours.

Gold Reserve Reduced.

WASHINGTON, January 13.—The treasury today lost $637,000 in gold coin and bars, which reduced the gold reserve to $55,467,971.

KILLED HIS WIFE.

CHARLES HILL OF OAKLAND COMMITS THE CRIME.

He Admits the Facts and Says Family Trouble Caused the Deed.

OAKLAND, January 11.—Charles L. Hill, formerly a baseball player, later a Suisun saloon keeper and more recently in the employ of the Southern Pacific as a brakeman, shot and killed his wife, Agnes tonight at the corner of Kirkham and Twelfth streets, Oakland. He fired four shots at the woman, three of which took effect and within five minutes she was dead. Family troubles was the cause of the shooting. The killing occurred shortly after 7 o'clock. Hill made no attempt to escape, and while there were no witnesses to the shooting, he frankly admitted the facts and told the whole story with the exception of the details of his domestic troubles, which he refused to discuss.

Hill and his wife have had more or less trouble ever since they came to Oakland last March.

He was a freight brakeman, and was employed until the 20th of last November. At that time there was more trouble, and he left his wife to go to Portland, Or. According to his story he returned this morning, and was with his wife during the afternoon. He saw her again this evening after dinner. She had been living at the house of J. H. Thompson. Hill waited around the house until his wife came out, and then walked with her a short distance.

Hill says his wife told him something that would make any man do as he did. He refused to say what her words were.

TWO SERIOUS WRECKS.

A Baggageman and Conductor Sustain Injuries.

RIVERSIDE, January 13.—Two serious accidents happened in this county today through railroad wrecks. The first wreck occurred this morning when the train from Elsinor to this city, on the Southern California, was derailed five miles below Perris. All the cars of the train, which was a mixed one, left the rails, the engine alone remaining on the track. The passenger coach, in which were several passengers, was upset in the ditch. W. B. Dean, the baggageman, was caught under the overturned car and had several ribs broken and was otherwise injured. Other passengers escaped serious injury.

The second wreck occurred at East Riverside. The engine of the motor train, while being used as a pusher to a work train, lifted the rear car, which slipped back on the front of the engine, catching Conductor Polk in doing so. Polk had one leg broken and badly lacerated. He was taken to the railroad hospital at Los Angeles for treatment.

STAGE ROBBER SENTENCED.

Plead Guilty and Made a Full Confession.

MERCED, January 13.—Tex Kellett, the man who twice successfully robbed the Coulterville stage between Merced and Snelling last fall, and who was subsequently captured by Constable T. A. Mack of Merced in a cabin near Lagrange, where he was hiding, plead guilty in the superior court this afternoon and was sentenced to ten years at San Quentin.

Kellett made a full confession of the last robbery, telling in detail just how he accomplished it and reciting all the circumstances leading up to it. He even went so far as to tell the officers where he hid the money he took from the express box at the time of the last robbery, and offered to take the officers to the spot where the money was buried if they would go.

Utah's Senatorial Contest.

SALT LAKE, January 13.—On account of the conference of the Republican members of the legislature to be held tomorrow night, the senatorial canvass is growing in interest and each candidate is using every available means to impress members with his peculiar fitness for the position of United States senator. If the conference should develope strength enough to insure a regular caucus the fight would quickly be narrowed down to two or three contestants; otherwise, the balloting is likely to begin with the Republican vote divided among at least five candidates.

Delegates Appointed.

SACRAMENTO, January 10.—President Leonard of the board of trustees has appointed the following delegates to the river improvement convention to be held next week in San Francisco: T. W. Sheehan, W. D. Lawton, J. H. Roberts, H. Weinstock and W. A. Gett Jr.

Vine pruning has commenced.

HOSTILITY TO ENGLAND

Expressed by the Entire German Press.

TRANSVAAL'S INDEPENDENCE

The Matter Will Not Be Ventilated in the Reichstag.

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BERLIN, January 11.—Throughout the week the Transvaal question has monopolized public attention. It is the unanimous feeling in Germany that the Jameson raid was due to connivance on the part of the British government in spite of official denials, and all Germany is decidedly but quietly anti-English. This feeling is finding vent in resolutions passed by the colonial and other associations in favor of the Transvaal independence, and the entire press is expressing hostility to England. In the Reichstag, however, the Transvaal matter will not be ventilated in consequence of a hint received from the minister for foreign affairs, Baron Von Bieberstein, that the government does not want to show its hand, and that it would be inconvenienced by a discussion of the subject. It is generally believed here that Russia and France are supporting Germany in the latter's efforts to preserve the independence of the Transvaal.

Emperor William felt bound to assure President Kruger of Germany's sympathy, and, if necessary, support, and he deemed himself bound to take this step by the verbal appeal of President Kruger during the latter's stay in Berlin to the Emperor's grandfather, William I, and to Prince Bismark in 1894, for help in the hour of trouble, to which appeal, Emperor William I, made a half promise to support.

The attacks made upon the Emperor by the London press are regarded here as being typical of British insolence, and the claims of suzerainty upon the part of Great Britain is answered by quoting the wording of the convention of 1884, in which the British crown expressly waived all rights over one point. This is also the view taken by the German government, and minute and frequent instructions have been sent to the German Ambassador at London, Count Von Hatzfeldt-Wildenburg, to act in strict accordance with it.

It was semi-officially announced today that Prince Bismark will not be able to come to Berlin upon the occasion of the celebration of the anniversary of the proclamation of the German Empire, January 18th.

MEDITATING SECESSION.

The Island of Hawaii Wants a Separate Government.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 13.—Special correspondence of the Associated Press from Honolulu, by the steamer Australia, dated January 6th, states that the island of Hawaii is meditating secession from the Hawaiian government and the formation of its own government. When the legislature meets next month the secession movement will be brought up. If the residents of Hawaii should decide to form their own government nothing but outside influence could prevent. The Dole government would be powerless, as Hawaii is more thickly populated than any other island of the group. Friends of the ex-queen are anxious for war between England and the United States, believing that in the event of such hostilities, England would seize the Hawaiian islands and restore Liliuokalani.

E. P. Dole, formerly of Riverside, California, a cousin of President Dole, has been made deputy attorney general.

COLLEGE BURNED.

The Occidental of Los Angeles Totally Destroyed.

LOS ANGELES, January 13.—The Occidental (Presbyterian) college, on Boyle Heights, was totally destroyed by fire at noon. Loss, $50,000; insurance, $13,-000.

Besides the loss to the college members of the faculty and students suffered losses aggregating several thousand dollars. A defective flue was the cause.

The college, which was the largest in Southern California, was founded in 1887.

THE WAR IN CUBA.

STARTLING STORIES CIRCULATED BY THE SPANISH.

An Important Expedition Said to Have Landed on the Coast.

HAVANA, January 11.—It is rumored today that an important expedition, under General Garcia, the veteran Cuban leader, who recently escaped from prison in Madrid and was in New York in November last, landed on the north coast, probably in the province of Pinar del Rio, on Wednesday last.

The most startling stories are circulated here by the friends or agents of the Spanish government, regarding the atrocities said to have been committed by the Cubans during their march from Santiago de Cuba to Pinar del Rio. It is claimed that they have robbed the poor and rich alike, maltreated the old and young of both sexes, and that nothing has been sacred to them. The Cubans, however, flatly deny these reports, and say that they have acted as closely and strictly within the rules of warfare as their guerilla tactics permitted.

The news reached here this afternoon that the advance guard of the insurgents under the elder Nunez had arrived at San Crostobal, the second town of importance in the province of Pinar del Rio, and a little over half way betwaen this city and Pinar del Rio, capital of the province of that name. Nunez, it appears, was at San Crostobal on January 7th, and met no resistance, although it was understood here that the city was defended by a large force of Spanish troops.

The insurgent leaders Delgo and Socarras are also reported to have captured Babia Hondo, a seaport town on a bay in which filibusters can find a safe refuge, unless a Spanish war ship is sent there, which is not unlikely.

Maher Seeking Training Quarters.

EL PASO, Texas, January 11.—Peter Maher, the pugilist, his manager J. J. Quinn, Peter Burns, John Quinn, Phil Corey, Jerry Marshall and N. K. Wheeler, arrived today from Pittsburg. Maher is looking for training quarters.

Guilty of Forgery.

SAN BERNARDINO, January 13.—W. S. Hadley was found guilty of forgery by a jury today after being out forty-eight hours. He defrauded the Redlands bank of $600 by presenting a fraudulent check on a Hillsdale, Mich., bank.

Wild geese have been plentiful the past few days.

SAN FRANCISCO RACES.

Rain Converted Ingleside Track Into a Sea of Mud.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 13.—A furious storm raged at Ingleside today during the progress of today's races, converting the track into a sea of mud. Most of the high class horses were scratched on this account, leaving an ordinary lot of horses to fill out the program. In the fifth race, Perseus, who was backed from 4 to 1 to even money, fell as the horses were turning into the stretch, his rider being uninjured. Perseus was under pull at the time and would certainly have won the race but for his unfortunate stumble. Ransom, at 50 to 1, won the race.

Favorites ran true to form today, four out of six winning, while the second choice and an outsider won the other two events.

Weather rainy, track muddy, attendance good. Summaries:

Six furlongs—Braw Scott won, Pescador 2, Millie R. 3. Time, 1.18½.

Seven and a half furlongs—Wyoming won, Tenacity 2, Daylight 3. Time, 1.38½.

One mile—Ed Kearney won, Nephew 2, Fortuna 3. Time, 1.46¼.

Seven furlongs—Stae Ruby won, Logan 2, Installator 3. Time, 1.29.

Seven and a half furlongs—Ransome won, Foremost 2, Jack Richelieu 3. Time, 1.38¼.

Six furlongs—Rey del Bandados won, Lismore 2, Artist 3. Pime, 1.17½.

THE EMPEROR'S MESSAGE

NOT INTENDED TO THREATEN WAR UPON ENGLAND,

But to Express Sympathy With Kruger and Opinion of the Jameson Raid.

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LONDON, January 13.—It seems pretty well established in the public mind that Emperor William did not mean to threaten war upon England by his message of sympathy to President Kruger of Transvaal and the reports which were circulated a few days ago, of an European alliance back of Germany and against England, find little further credence. It seems to be accepted that the German emperor simply intended to express his own opinion of the Jameson raid in that message, and the temporary sentiment of irritation which it caused him. This is the general feeling, apparently, of the public mind, and those organs of public prominence which are in touch with the government have undoubtedly sought to deepen this impression. But this still leaves unexplained the uncontradicted assertion that the German government did apply to Portugal for permission to pass marines through Portuguese territory at Delagoa bay to the Transvaal, nor does it explain the unflagging preparation of war material and equipment of war forces in England.

Of more force seems the argument of some newspapers that the wavering support of Russia and France has admonished the German war lord that the interpretation put upon his message by England was putting him into a hazardous position.

Whether this or some other consideration has altered the situation, it is certain the diplomatic agents of all the governments of Europe have been kept busy in the last two weeks, and it is expected the full result of their labors is not yet in the knowledge of the public. That England has had a visit for the destruction of the "balance of power" in Europe, with herself in the descending scale is certain. Whether she has made other strokes in the hidden field of diplomacy besides her formidable show of naval forces is not known.

The first feeling of assurance over the better situation of the relations with Germany is met by notes of warning that there are still possible seeds for much rancor and danger in the situation in the Transvaal and that the Venezuelan question is, after all, not yet settled, nor any basis agreed upon for its settlement.

Interest in the great naval preparations, however, continue to absorb the public mind. A report which has been circulated to the effect that the government intends to mobilize the volunteer forces is denied tonight; but it is certain that appeals from the war office have recently been sent by circular letters to all the volunteer regiments asking them to return the probable number of volunteers that could be mobilized and to state the arrangements that would be necessary for doing so.

At Woolwich, below London, on the Thames, the great arsenal, covering 100 acres of ground, is receiving constant additions to its great store of naval material, and the activity in all departments there is unabated. The torpedo factory is increasing its output, and the men in that department are working many hours overtime. The torpedoes, as fast as they are manufactured, are dispatched to Portsmouth and Dover, the former the principal naval station of England, with a fortified harbor that will float the whole of the English navy, and the latter the chief port of communication between England and the continent. The government intends, it is announced, to have these well supplied with torpedo boats and with torpedo destroyers.

Asked for His Fare Twice.

LOS ANGELES, January 11.—L. C. Watkens today sued the Los Angeles Street Railway Company for $25,000 damages. He alleges that a conductor violently ejected him from a car because he refused to pay fare a second time.

MONTEREY AND FRESNO ROAD

The Stockholders Meet in Their Annual Session.

From Tuesday's Daily.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Monterey & Fresno railroad was held last evening in this city. It was the regular annual meeting, and it was expected that officers would be elected; but the election of officers was postponed till February 10th.

The meeting discussed several matters not of interest to the public. Among those from a distance who attended were Mr. Green of Monterey and Mr. Palmtag of Hollister.

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A DISCREDITED POLICY.

The Tulare *Register* makes the following reference to the policy of encouraging foreign industry:

During the year 1895, with all its uncertainties, scrimping business methods, individual economies, surrounded with idle hands and idle capital, the United States imported from Sheffield, England, goods to the value of $750,000 more than the year before. All this value represents just so much of a drain from this country to swell the bank accounts of the pot-bellied gentlemen of ease in England and to assist us in escaping the clutches of those "robber barons" of whom we used to read. The average person wherever his lot may be cast within the domain of the Union can determine for himself by this time how much meat there was in that twaddle about buying in the cheapest market and "selling in the markets of the world." Indeed if there is anybody so dense that he has not learned from the experience of the past thirty-six months his case is hopeless, and he would not be benefited by a half-fare excursion through the infernal regions.

It is needless to say that the people of the United Staes have benefitted by the experience of the past two years—they have benefitted to that extent that free trade will not be a live issue in the politics of this country again for some decades at least. The party organs will make an idle and empty pretense of advocating that lost cause, but they will do so with a full knowledge of the fact that their beautiful theory has been hopelessly wrecked by their attempt to put it in practical operation.

A conservative but distinctly protective tariff policy is the one which is bound to permanently prevail in this country, and the sooner that basis is reached the sooner will the business interests of the country be as fully subserved as they can be by a tariff on foreign imports. It will be impossible to again lead the masses of this country to believe that their pathway to prosperity lies in sending their money out of the country to buy foreign goods, and the only thing remaining to be done is to determine upon a system of duties that will equitably distribute the benefits of protection, while supplying a sufficient revenue for the necessities of the government.

To oppose this necessary legislation merely to stand by the discredited and discarded humbug of free trade will be the height of folly, for such opposition will be so much wasted energy that might much better be devoted to the work of making such a law as the people demand.

If the local Democracy is not looking anxiously for a political boss, its sentiments are baldly misrepresented in yesterday's issue of the afternoon contemporary. In a long disquisition on the needs of the local party, a writer in that paper says:

There is one other thing that is absolutely necessary. The choice of an executive officer of ability should not be overlooked. He should be a man who knows politics, not one whose only qualifications are that he is a respectable and honest man and good Democrat. The party is full of such men, but they are not generals fit to command an army.

Take notice, you respectable Democrats and honest men; you are all well enough when it comes to marching in the ranks of the faithful and to do the voting at the polls, but somebody of an entirely different sort is wanted to direct your political movements. Somebody who "knows" politics, indeed. A person who has qualifications not possessed by merely respectable and honest men and good Democrats, in fact. You, understand, as a matter of course, the kind of person referred to. No title is needed to accompany a description of that sort. The only question is as to whether the writer actually voices the sentiments of the party. If so, there will certainly be little trouble in finding the right man for the job. There is usually no scarcity of politicians whose ambitions are satisfied with a position of that kind. As a matter of fact a good deal of the best energy of a party is usually required to hold in check the vaulting ambition of the class of politicians who are faithfully described in the above extract from the afternoon paper. If the local Democracy is really hunting a boss the scepter and crown will not long be covered with cobwebs.

The latest circular of Henry Clewes, the Wall Street banker, has this to say in reference to the forthcoming bond issue:

The government's choice of a "popular" subscription to the $100,000,000 loan, instead of placing the negotiation in the hands of a syndicate, has for the moment checked a recovering tendency in prices which was beginning to appear. Wall Street, however, has very generally come to the conclusion that, should the popular subscriptions prove to be insufficient in amount, nothing is likely to prevent the bank syndicate from finally taking up the balance of the bonds not covered by the popular subscriptions.

No, there is not the slightest earthly danger that the administration's syndicate will decline to take any and all of Cleveland 4-per cent gold bonds that come within its reach. Of course, it was something of a disappointment to be euchered, by mere public clamor, out of a few millions additional profit in the way of commissions, but still the bonds are good enough without the commission and the syndicate will take care of any that may not be in demand by other bankers who know a good thing when it is presented to them on a gold salver. The syndicate would quite naturally prefer to be paid for doing what others are ready to do for nothing, but of course they can see how difficult it was for the President to deliver the goods, and they will consent to come in on an equality with the ordinary bankers of the country. So the people need not lay awake nights any longer worrying over the attenuated condition of the treasury reserve. The country is saved again.

When the war clouds have become but a sickly haze, bloodthirsty people may find consolation in the fact that football season lasts the year round.

THE CZAR IN ERROR.

It may be presumed that the sympathy of a majority of people of this country is with Germany in the present altercation between that nation and Great Britain. The invasion of the country of the Boers by Dr. Jameson and his men was so clearly a violation of the rights of that people that the heart of every lover of liberty throughout the world must have beaten an amen to the manly words of congratulation which Emperor William wired to President Kruger. In truth, the civilized races have rather tired of British greed, and they are pleased at any time to see that people checkmated in their game of grab.

But, while this is the case, it may be doubted if the people of this republic will receive with satisfaction the information conveyed in one of last Monday's dispatches from St. Petersburg. It related to the present dispute between Germany and Great Britain, and announced that the Czar said "the German emperor could firmly rely upon his support and the support of states friendly to Russia, namely, France and the United States."

The Czar may speak for himself and for Russia; he may even speak for France if the French people are willing to permit him to do so, but he cannot speak for the United States or pledge the support of this country to anybody. We will act for ourselves, and in the improbable event of a war between the European nations who are now hurling words at each other, it need not be doubted that the United States will maintain neutrality. It is not our pie, and the Czar must look after his own interest in the pastry.

Julian Ralph, in his London correspondence in the *Examiner*, says that "Germany is drifting faster and faster into a partnership with France and Russia, a fact we in the United States should ponder, if it is true that we have a secret alliance with Russia." If it is true that such an alliance exists, it is a mesalliance, for it would be difficult to conceive of a greater political incongruity than a marriage of Russia and the United States, the semi-civilized despotism of the north and the republic of civilization. But whether or not such an alliance exists, it may safely be postulated concerning it that it gives the tyrant of the north no power to pledge our support to any nation. We will do our own supporting, and no treaty of alliance will take from us the power. To suppose that an alliance has been made surrendering this right, is to suppose insanity or imbecility on the part of those who agreed to it. Could the Czar pledge our support to a nation which we believed to be in the wrong of any question? He would have to reckon with the American people and defeat them, before he could carry this pledge into effect. He has no such power, and his words, if he uttered them, are a nullity.

On this side of the water it will be surmised that the Czar of all the Russias is talking through—say, his crown.

In connection with the promised publication of the Venezuelan papers by the British government, the London *Standard*, the government organ, says: "The maintainance of friendship with America is always the first consideration with England. We say this to the American people with the absolute candor of deep-seated cordiality." The *Standard* also refers to "the magnanimous attitude of the American nation to us." This is a very different tone from that which was adopted in England immediately after President Cleveland's Venezuelan message, but it is highly satisfactory, and the maintainance of such an attitude by the English will place war beyond a possibility. All the people of this country want is that Great Britain shall confine her absorbing tendencies to the other side of the water, and that is little to ask.

The people of Perry, Oklahoma, are not adding lustre to their reputation by the warlike attitude which they have assumed in relation to the question of permitting negro children to attend the public schools. Under the constitution of the United States negroes are citizens, and their children are entitled to all the rights and privileges of white children. The public schools are as open to them as to the palest blonds. The Oklahomans would do well to remember that the negro's color does not rub off. There is no possibility that white children will soil their clothing by contact with their ebony bretheren. In Oklahoma, as elsewhere, the standing of children, as of men, should depend upon conduct rather than color.

The emperor of Germany uses a "photographic rifle when hunting, which instantaneously photographs the object aimed at when the shot is fired. The photograph shows whether the game has been hit, and enables the hunter to avoid a fruitless chase if he has missed his game. This is a great convenience, of course, but any old hunter will at once realize the depressing effect it would have when the opportunity came to relate the adventures of a day's shooting and tell of the marvelous shots that had spilled the blood of noble game but failed to put out the vital spark. The heartless cynic would always be ready with a demand to show the photograph.

There is a good prospect that the United States senate will pass a bill providing for the coinage of silver. This is more than the silver advocates have had reason to expect. It is clear enough that the house of representatives will not pass such a bill, and it is still clearer that were it passed it would not receive presidential sanction, but it is not the less encouraging to believe that the gold barons do not own the senate. It is an indication that the grip of the money jugglers will finally be broken.

There may be plenty of rain later in the season, but it will be just as well to take time by the forelock to the extent of giving your irrigable land a thorough soaking from the canals that are running brimfull of water for that purpose. That bigger crops will result from winter irrigation, even when rainfall is not scant, has been demonstrated time and again in this valley. Let everybody use water who has the privilege of doing so, and the effect of a dry season will hardly be felt in Fresno.

If St. Louis expects to get the Democratic convention she had better exchange that lead pipe grip for a Standard oil pipe cinch.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

Under the caption "Government Ownership Insanity" the Sacramento *Record-Union*, on last Wednesday, published a remarkable editorial. It was remarkable in two respects: First, in the rabid abuse it heaped on whosoever believes in government ownership of railroads, and, second, that this abuse usurped the place of logic through more than a column of space which should have been valuable. Beginning with its opening sentence, "the so-called 'demand' for the government ownership of railroads has reached the acute stage of idiocy in California," the Sacramento paper runs through a diapason of abuse worthy of a graduate of the Barbary Coast. The proof of this assertion will be found in the words and clauses following, which are quoted from the editorial to which reference is made and refer to the proponents of government ownership:

Unthinking chatter.

Grievances that have their genesis in jealousy, anger, envy, demagogy and misconception.

Whoever, therefore, favors this un-American, monarchical and autocratic scheme is weak-minded.

More than impracticables, these drivelers.

Fit candidates for admission to the Home for the Feeble-Minded.

The howling of unbridled demagogues, political prostitutes and a hysterical press (*sic*).

Blatant ass.

The narrow-minded, unthinking, clamorous crew that outrages reason by the idiotic talk about government ownership.

Blatant demagogue and feather-headed shriekers for government ownership.

The fools.

Shallow demagogues and clamorous idiots.

Jabbering demagogues, radical socialists and journalistic braggarts.

So end the quotations from a Southern Pacific newspaper's editorial on government ownership. It would be entirely possible to reply in kind, for whatever other monopoly the railroad may have, it has not necessarily a monopoly of abuse. It would be possible to say to the *Record-Union:* With you high principle is impossible, for were the germ of such a principle to form in you, it must disorganize and return to nothingness at the behest of the selfish interest of the corporation that owns you. Your every utterance on a railroad question is suspicious, because you have a direct financial interest in upholding the monopoly that has ridden California through many years. You are very decent—when the Southern Pacific Company permits you to be so. You prate of clamorous idiots and a hysterical press in a manner that proves—did anybody doubt it—that such things are entirely possible.

All this, and more, might be truthfully said to the *Record-Union*, for it is very open to attack, but the REPUBLICAN prefers to leave that style of "argument" to its Sacramento contemporary. The main thing at present is to determine whether belief in the feasibility of government control proves either idiocy or blatant demagogy. In this connection we wish to lay down two propositions which, it may be presumed, will not be combatted:

First—If it can be shown that the present system of managing railroads by private corporations, in this country, is pernicious in many respects, it is neither idiocy nor demagogism to consider if it may not be improved.

Second—Supposing the present system is demonstrated to be pernicious, if it can be shown that government ownership is no longer an experiment, but a striking success in various countries, to demand that it be substituted here for the system of private ownership (at any rate, in connection with transcontinental roads) will not indicate driveling imbecility. Possibly such a demand might be mistaken, but it would not be idiotic.

The evils pertaining to the present system need hardly be named in California. The people here are practically a unit in recognizing them, but as the *Record-Union* may consider this fact merely an indication that demagogy and idiocy are all prevalent, it may be well to name a few of the evils.

The railroads impose on the people "all the traffic will bear." Mr. C. P. Huntington is authority for the statement, if authority were needed. Here, too, is what Judge Jere Black says on the same subject: "They express their determination to charge as much as the traffic will bear. That is to say, they will take from the profits of every man's business as much as can be taken without compelling him to quit it. In the aggregate this amounts to the most enormous, oppressive and unjust tax that ever was laid upon the industry of any people under the sun."

They buy legislatures and voters, and corrupt lawmakers. The railroad "sack" in California legislatures has been so notorious as hardly to need mention here. But the "sack" procedure has been prevalent everywhere. Says a New York legislative committee in its report: "It has been the custom of the managers of the Erie railway from year to year, in the past, to spend large sums to control elections and influence legislation." Says Jay Gould, testifying before the same committee: "I do not know how much I paid toward helping friendly men. We had four states to look after, and we had to suit our politics to circumstances." Says Judge David Davis: "It is an open secret that they rule states through procured legislatures and corrupted courts." And so we might continue.

They rob the people by means of perjury and fraud. The congressional committee's report in which it was charged that railroad magnates made millions of dollars by perjury is not forgotten. The United States Pacific Railway commission, in its report of 1888, showed that the Central Pacific made affidavit that $54,283,000 of stock had been paid in, when only $760,000 had been paid; and the Union Pacific swore that $36,762,000 was paid in, when only $400,650 had been paid. This perjury was committed to make a good showing in asking for government aid.

They distinguish in favor of certain corporations or firms as against others. In six months Swift & Co. of Chicago received $50,000 in rebates, and were thus given just that advantage over so-called competitors. Their distinctions in favor of the Standard Oil Company have created that monopoly and driven its competitors to ruin. And as they distinguish against firms, so do they against cities. Business men of Fresno have paid more freight on the carload from Stockton here than from Chicago to Stockton.

The list might be continued, for it is a long one, but space forbids. If, however, it be an indication of "clamorous idiocy" to denounce the present railroad system, we cannot deny ourselves the pleasure of naming three or four more of these "clamorous idiots" and quoting what they have said.

Says James A. Garfield: "The modern barons, more powerful than their military prototypes, own our greatest highways and levy tribute at will upon all our vast industries."

Professor Brice says: "These corporations are the bane of state politics."

The New York Board of Trade says: "They become simply great engines to accomplish unequal taxation."

Perhaps it will now be admitted that the present system of railroad management might possibly be improved, and that he is not necessarily an imbecile or a demagogue who dreams of such a thing.

Now as to the method of improvement. Government ownership of railroads is not an experiment. Outside of North America, there are but three nations of any importance which do not own and manage their railroads. The three exceptions are England, Spain and Turkey, and England's control is very stringent. In most or all of the other countries where the government owns the railroads, fares are less, accidents are fewer and profits are greater than in the United States. In an article in the *Westminster Review*, Hugh H. L. Bellot says that the Prussian railroads, which the government owns, "are managed as efficiently as any other, and pay higher dividends than any other large system in the world." A writer in the *Forum* says: "In the German Empire railway incomes steadily exceed railway expenditures from 4 to 7 per cent. No such thing as railway insolvency there exists." Compare this condition of affairs with that in our own country.

In 1889 Austro-Hungary reduced fares on its railroads an average of more than 40 per cent for the whole system. This reduced the average passenger rate to about four-fifths of a cent per mile and the average freight rate to about nine-tenths of a cent per mile. Of the result, an *Arena* writer says: "The receipts were $482,000 more than the year before, and in 1890, with traffic nearly fourfold what it was in 1888, and over twice what it was in 1889, the total receipts exceeded those of 1889 by $1,250,000." German railroads charge but a trifle more than a cent a mile, and make money. And so one might continue. But, says the *Record-Union*:

No conditions prevail here, or will ever be tolerable, under which in aristocratic systems it is possible to accomplish what our blatant demagogue and feather-headed shriekers for government ownership demand."

Your pardon, sir, but we do not conceive that you mean what you say. This is merely the last ditch in which the logicians of your kind have taken refuge. Do you mean to suggest that a republic cannot run a railroad as well as a monarchy in the interest of the people? Do you mean that an "effete monarchy" can give its people cheap fares and good service and make money, but that a "government of the people" cannot do a similar thing? As an American citizen, you should be ashamed to say it. A monarchy can have no thing so good that a republic may not have as good or better.

On the whole, "clamorous idiocy," as the *Record-Union* defines it, may not be a bad disease with which to be afflicted.

CRITICISING THE PRESIDENT.

Protests from Cleveland newspapers are frequently heard against the partisanship which they allege inspires Republican criticism of the President. They entirely and conveniently ignore the fact that the strongest denunciation of the administration of Grover Cleveland has come from Democrats and from citizens whose political affiliations have never been with the Republican party.

Henry George, for instance, if he can be said to be a member of any political party, is a Democrat. He was formerly a member of that party, and if not to be so classed at the present time he is, at least, an independent with strong leanings towards the party of free trade. In a recent letter printed in the New York *Journal*, a Democratic paper, Henry George says:

Mr. Cleveland as president has ignored this principle of Democratic republicanism, and he has ignored it in the most offensive and degrading way—in a way that has brought the taint of corruption closer to the doors of the White House than it was ever brought before under any American president. Who ever heard of Francis Lynde Stetson either as publicist or as banker, or in any other public way until the last few years? When Mr. Cleveland took office in 1892 Mr. Stetson was only known to the public, even in New York, as Mr. Cleveland's partner in his private law business.

Yet, no sooner did his partner, or expartner, take the presidential chair than Mr. Stetson appeared in Washington as the lobbyist of the Pacific railroad ring in a scheme requiring the presidential sanction, by which they hope to make millions at the expense of the people. And he next becomes known throughout the country and the financial world as the associate and partner of the greatest bankers in a "deal" with the President of the United States, out of which another favored syndicate has already made millions. Be Mr. Stetson's qualities what they may, does any one suppose that the Pacific railroad ring would have hired him at the cost of his hotel bills, or Mr. Morgan have given him as much of the syndicate's gain of millions as would have paid his carfare but for the fact that he had been Mr. Cleveland's law partner? It is the same usurpation of power, with the same odious concomitants, that Mr. Cleveland now proposes, in the opinion of those best informed, to repeat again on a larger scale. If the American people will quietly submit to this, then, indeed, may we begin to speak of the American Republic not as a thing that is, but as a thing that was.

That a majority of Democratic politicians are inclined to follow the lead of President Cleveland is made apparent by recent events, but in the opinion of this paper they will follow him not only to their own undoing, but to that of the party, the real sentiments of which they so outrageously misrepresent. The language of Henry George in denunciation of the syndicate-jobbing, bond-issuing President is strong, but it will receive the indorsement of the masses of the people, including the rank and file of the Democratic party. The alliance of the President with the money jugglers is so unmistakable and his work has been so valuable to them that he has forfeited all of the confidence and respect which the people of the country desire to repose in their chief executive.

The afternoon contemporary paused to think about it yesterday and remarked:

The people of Nebraska have adopted a scheme to promote beet growing and sugar manufacture, the idea of operation being similar to that of the Wright irrigation district law. Singular to say, they have every hope for the success of the scheme. But then, come to think about it, Nebraskans are not in the jurisdiction of the California supreme court. Quite a difference.

Come to think about it intently the fact quite naturally dawns upon you that Nebraska is not under the jurisdiction of the supreme court of California, and a little more thought on the same subject inevitably leads to the conclusion that if that state were under such jurisdiction its citizens would be justified in feeling very sanguine regarding an enterprise operating under a law similar to the Wright irrigation act, were it not for the fact that a decision of a federal court is threatening to nullify the decisions of the state courts, which have fully sustained the Wright law. The habit of thinking about things is entirely commendable when you know what you are thinking about.

The Hanford *Democrat* says that if property owners of that county persist in asking more than the value of their land for rights of way for the Valley road the road will not be built to Hanford, as the local committee cannot raise the amount of money required by several thousand dollars. It is to be hoped that the hoggish instinct of property owners will not defeat the building of the west side line of the road.

The Nancy Neff *Post* is the only daily paper in San Francisco which professes to see a legitimate business proposition in the scheme to reduce the interest on the Pacific road's indebtedness to 2 per cent at a time when the government is borrowing money on 4 per cent bonds.

Chicago and St. Louis had a neck-and-neck race for the Democratic national convention, but the windy city knocked the persimmon with a pole two votes larger than that of its less speedy rival.

A Milwaukee jury has decided that a bagpipe is not a musical instrument. A jury like that one would probably decide that the guineahen cannot sing.

Stetson, the President's partner, is not very well known at present, but he is likely to become nearly as famous as the man of destiny himself.

The people of Fresno have learned that the way to save money is by reading the bargains advertised in the REPUBLICAN.

RANDOM REMARKS.

This may be said of Foraker's election to the United States senate: He represents something more than the Standard Oil Company. As much could hardly be said of his predecessor Brice. Ohio has made a distinct step forward.

The princely reward which long ago was offered for the village which hasn't "the best amateur dramatic association in the state," has never been claimed. As, one after another, our exchanges come to hand we judge that it never will be.

It is announced that a young woman in Evanston, Ill., was hypnotized into a trance by the music of a church organ. We do not know, of course, but we would like to bet something that it was a mere ordinary fit into which she was thrown.

A scientist reports that he has discovered a cat whose voice can be heard four miles and eighty rods. We have missed it out of our back yard for the last three nights. But the scientist may keep the cat. We never did want it very badly.

A man in Chicago who is too poor to buy a pistol or poison to commit suicide, is starving himself to death. He says he prefers to starve in a hurry, rather than to be a long time about it. Christ would be astonished if He should come down and inspect this "christian civilization" of ours. It has its peculiarities.

The signal service bureau, William, may betray your confidence sometimes by its predictions, but there is one infallible weather indication: Buy a bicycle (and naturally be crazy to ride it), and the rain will fall day and night, without intermission, for three solid weeks. If you do not believe me, William, try it.

A Kansas sheriff levied on a freight train of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, because the company had not paid its taxes. We do things differently in California. We compromise the matter in the legislature and give the boys a show. The Kansas people do not seem to have the proper consideration for railroad companies.

Samuel Fetlow had a lot of money, and he "blew it in" right royally and had a fine large time while it lasted. Now, in his old age, he is in the San Francisco almshouse. You smiled, my boy, when your grandfather told you that economy was the road to wealth and enforced the idea with several homely maxims, but, after all, is it not possible that the old gentleman was almost as wise as his grandson? Sometimes it seems so.

When Willie sasses granny,
And when granny answers back;
When the pretty little mammy
Lets his youthful talker clack;
When granny gets her slipper off
And says she will hallow
That if Willie keeps on talking
There is bound to be a row,
Do you think there'll be a row?

Well, hardly, gentle reader;
Well hardly. I suggest
When the jawing's safely over
They will gladly take a rest.
Then granny'll put her slipper on
And Willie make a bow.
There may be domestic friction,
But there will not be a row;
Not a bloomin', bloody row.

Representative Morse of Massachusetts is a man whose blood is thicker than water. Two or three days ago he offered the following resolution relating to the Turkish atrocities in the house:

Resolved, That the committee on foreign affairs consider the expediency of reporting forthwith some expression by this government in denunciation of these atrocities, and if they find that we, as a nation, are powerless to act, that we invoke the co-operation of the allied powers to wipe the Turkish government off the face of the earth and secure the freedom and independence of Armenia.

The world needs a good many more men like Congressman Morse. Were there enough of them the slaughter of Armenians would soon cease.

"Yes," said the new congressman, "I shall mighty soon make myself solid with my constituents"

"How will you do it?"

"I shall introduce bills for federal buildings at Squeakawk and Hogg's Valley and Jumbletown and Mudville and Coyote City and—"

"But none of the bills will pass."

"That makes no difference. Every other congressman has a lot of the same sort of bills that he is interested in, and we will fugle along with them for ten years to come, and our constituents will re-elect us so that we may push the bills. Oh, I tell you after a man has been in politics for a while he acquires a great head.

If John Hays Hammond, the American mining engineer who is in South Africa, participated in a conspiracy against the government of the Boers, he deserved to be arrested, and the wail in his behalf which has gone up from certain quarters is quite untimely. There is a fair presumption, too, that he did exactly this thing; otherwise in all probability he would not have been arrested. If a Boer were to come to this country and engage in a conspiracy against the government, he would, if discovered, be arrested, and the papers which discover an outrage in the arrest of Hammond would discover no outrage then. Let's tote fair. If this American has done wrong he should pay a reasonable penalty.

It would not have been expected, but it is not the less satisfactory to know that the city of Stockton is having a great religious revival. Last Monday business houses closed while a religious mass meeting was held, and on the whole the good people up there appear to be getting a hold on Satan which must be temporarily discouraging to that restless individual. The head of the revival movement seems to be J. J. Paulsell, a recent convert. He is a lawyer, and not long ago ran for mayor of Stockton on the Democratic ticket. Paulsell always was a good man and an honorable citizen and it stands to reason that he will continue to be so now that he has been "converted," but it may be doubted if his nearest friends suspected in him the force which could lead in such a revival as this. His case is surprising. But Stockton can stand a good deal of "converting" before it will become lopsided with righteousness.

The latest report (at this writing) has it that Cleveland will be a candidate for a third presidential term. The same report says that the President desires that the national Democratic convention shall be held in New York. It was not two days prior to the time when this report came over the wires that the exact contrary of both its statements was asserted in news dispatches. Do you not suppose that the public sometimes wearies of this ceaseless maze of contradictions which the dispatches inflict upon it? Is there no possibility that somebody in authority finally will discharge a few thousand of liar and let the newspapers deal in something approximating truth? Of a verity, the present program becomes wearisome. As for Cleveland, if he does not run again, all right; if he does, so much the better. Millions of American citizens want just one show at him, anyway.

Rev. Marshall Law of Oakland said that women would not be admitted to his study unless they were accompanied by men. Thereupon Mrs. Clara M. Partridge made herself heard in defense of her sex. She says, in effect, that women in general can be trusted alone with a man and that few of them would think of leading the poor fellow astray. She thinks that even a clergyman may trust himself with a woman. We are with Mrs. Partridge. If a parson cannot thus trust himself he would better go out of the business. We write it advisedly. Why should a clergyman be the one professional man whom a lone woman may not visit? If a woman wishes to visit a lawyer or a doctor or an editor alone in his office, she does so and no tongue wags. To be sure, in one case out of 10,000 there may be scandal, but would it not be folly or worse to bar out 9,999 women because the ten-thousandth might come? It strikes us that about the best thing a minister of the gospel, or any other man, can do, is to keep a clear conscience and go straight ahead in his path of daily duty. If that duty involves ministering to the sisters, let him minister. The man of any calling who runs or hides from a possibility is not entitled to much respect. His act has a look of cowardice. Mrs. Partridge has made her voice heard in the appropriate time and place.

A. J. W.

CHIPS THAT PASS IN THE NIGHT.

[WRITTEN FOR THE REPUBLICAN.]

Some one has told of freighted ships
That pass by in the night,
And I will sing of colored chips,
Red, yellow, blue and white.
What interest centres in those discs,
What hot emotions clash,
As each his daily earnings risks,
Loses or wins the cash!

They look like innocent affairs,
Those little ivory chips,
But are the cause of woes and cares,
Blanched cheeks and bloodless lips,
Of shattered hopes and hearts, alas!
Of ruin, blast and blight,
And yet—how strange!—they freely pass
As currency at night.

More dangerous than the flowing bowl,
Their power I cannot tell,
They have a charm that raps the soul
In their demoniac spell.
Beware the board where Vileness sips
The chalice of delight,
And, O! beware the poker chips
That gamblers pass at night.

EDGAR THORNE.

MARRIED.

JENSEN—BAIRD—At the residence of the bride's parents, January 16, 1896, Rev. F. D. Seward officiating, C. P. Jensen of San Francisco and Miss Isabella M. Baird of Fresno.

LANE—HENDRICKSON—At the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. W. H. Martin of this city, January 12, 1896, W. H. Lane and Miss Mabel R. Hendrickson, both of Fresno.

COWAN—DUNCAN—In this city, January 14, 1896, Frank Cowan and Miss Ella Duncan.

PHILLIPS—RHOADES—In this city, January 15, 1896, Rev. D. H. Gillan officiating, William J. Phillips of Kingsburg and Miss Minnie L. Rhoades.

BOMGARDNER—HULBERT—At the residence of the bride's parents, January 15, 1896, Rev. F. D. Seward officiating, Robert S. Bomgardner and Miss Bella Hulbert.

DIED.

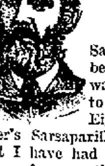
GARAIG—In this city, January 14, 1896, Marie Garaig, a native of France, aged 35 years.

HUGHES—In Madera, January 16, 1896, Mrs Tillie Hughes, wife of William M. Hughes, aged 32 years.

GORRELL—In this city, January 16, 1896, Mrs. May Gorrell, a native of Wisconsin, aged 33 years.

A Sufferer Cured

"Every season, from the time I was two years old, I suffered dreadfully from erysipelas, which kept growing worse until my hands were almost useless. The bones softened so that they would bend, and several of my fingers are now crooked from this cause. On my hand I carry large scars, which, but for



AYER'S

Sarsaparilla, would be sores, provided I was alive and able to carry anything. Eight bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla cured me, so that I have had no return of the disease for more than twenty years. The first bottle seemed to reach the spot and a persistent use of it has perfected the cure."—O. C. DAVIS, Wautoma, Wis.

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An Old Veteran Whose Answers Were Satisfactory.

Henry Meyers, an old soldier of the civil war, was yesterday examined before Judge Carter on a charge of lunacy. The medical experts who conducted the examination were Dr. Dunn and Dr. Hayden.

Meyers has been an inmate of the county jail for some time, and his fellow prisoners reported that he was going crazy. At the examination he stated that he would be all right if he could get some bread and coffee. It was said that the tramps in jail with him have been in the habit of stealing the old soldier's food, until he has gone hungry many a time. Whether this is true or not, cannot be positively stated. At any rate, the old man gave satisfactory answers to the questions put to him by the court and doctors, and it was decided that he was not insane.

He volunteered in the Union army at Placerville, and hestated yesterday that he was the only soldier he knew who had deserved a pension and did not get it. He is crippled with rheumatism.

Death of Dr. Benjamin Cory.

Dr. Benjamin Cory of San Jose, father of L. L. Cory of this city, died yesterday. He was a brother of J. M. Cory and uncle of Dr. B. B. Cory of this city. He was one of the California pioneers, having come to this state before the discovery of gold. He settled at San Jose and practiced medicine there nearly fifty years. He was a man respected by all who knew him. L. L. Cory and Dr. Cory left yesterday for San Jose to attend the funeral.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

W M Wyatt et al vs. E E Eger, lot 8, blk 48, Clovis; $10.

United States to William Hoskins, ne¼ of nw¼ and e½ of sw¼, sec 5, and ne¼ of nw¼, sec 8, t 10, r 23.

United States to Charles E Thompson, sw¼, sec 22, t 19, r 19.

Owen Barton to Mrs Eliza J Corlew, e½ of lot 9, subdivision of sec 6, t 14, r 20; $10

A C Blanchard and wife to Frank O Conkey, e½ of lot 9, subdivision of sec 6, t 14, r 20; $10.

Fred J Dow and wife to Alexander K Dick, lot 25, blk 2, Hadsell's add; $10.

D V Murphy and wife to John W Fortune and Charles M Fortune, lot 20, blk 1, Parkhurst's add, Sanger; $1600.

Mrs J H Heath to Alex Goldstein et al, lots 21 and 22, blk 22, Belmont; $10.

William Hoag and wife to J P Leighton, n½ of lots 87 and 88, Fresno colony; $10.

Samuel Hartley and wife to Alex Goldstein et al, right of way for Valley road across s½ of sw¼, sec 14, t 14, r 20; $10.

Peter Lorendo to O C Goodin, n½ of se¼ and lots 5 and 8, sec 27, t 14, r 25, and lots 5, 11, 16 of sec 34, t 14, r 25; $1200.

Gideon Lorendo to O C Goodwin, lots 2, 3, 6, 7, sec 31, t 14, r 25; $800.

Charles Ward and wife to Peter Athlons, lot 3, blk 4, Mendota; $5.

Z S Beckwith and wife to D W Smith, s½ of sw¼, sec 6, t 15, r 20; $10.

R H Strother, commissioner, to W B Baker, lots 152 and 153, Washington colony; $1500.

Eugene McKinley to E Stock, lot 6, blk 13, Parkhurst's South Villa add, Sanger; $220.

Robert M Woods and wife to Max Frankenau, the undivided ½ of se¼ of nw¼, and n½ of sw¼, sec 29, t 13, r 21; $10.

Emma J Reeve et al to A B Hill, lots 7 and 8, blk 152, Sanger Heights; $200.

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Summons.
No. 6840.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The people of the state of California, plaintiff, against Juan Yudaburu, delinquent purchaser of the following described State lands: Location No. 3903. All of section 16, t 16 s, r 12 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior Court

The people of the State of California send greeting to Juan Yudaburu, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 3903. All of section 16, t 16 s, r 12 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno County, Cal., to-wit: All of section 16, t 16 s, r 12 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 13,002, dated the 3d day of January, 1891, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the Court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[SEAL.] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for Pl'tff. j17

Order to Show Cause.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

In the matter of the estate of Nathan S. Fanning, deceased.

P. R. FANNING AND E. H. TUCKER, THE EXecutors of the estate of Nathan S. Fanning, deceased, having duly filed their petition herein, duly verified, praying for an order of sale of part of the real estate of said deceased, for the purposes therein set forth, and it is therefore ordered by the judge of said court that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased appear before the said Superior court, on Saturday, the 8th day of February, 1896, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the court room of said Superior court at the Kutner block of the said Fresno county, state of California, and show cause why an order should not be granted to the said executors to sell so much of the real estate of said deceased at public auction as shall be necessary, and that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the Fresno Weekly Republican, a newspaper printed and published in said county.

Dated, January 6th, 1896.

STANTON L. CARTER,
Judge of the Superior court.
A. M. Drew, attorney for petitioner. j1etow

Summons.
No. 6537.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

The People of the state of California, plaintiff, against J B McCoy and W A Fountain, assignee of said J. B. McCoy, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2026, the s½ nw¼ and s½ of ne¼ of section 36, t 12 s, r 25 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 160 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior court.

The People of the state of California send greeting to J. B. McCoy and W. A. Fountain, assignee of said J. B. McCoy, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2026, the s½ nw¼ and s½ of ne¼ of section 36, t 12 s, r 25 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 160 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above-named plaintiff in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, Cal., to-wit:

S½ nw¼ and s½ of ne¼ of section 36, t 12 s, r 25 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 12,848, dated the 5th day of October, 1891, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[SEAL.] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, district attorney, for plaintiff. j17

Summons.
No. 6516.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

The People of the state of California, plaintiff, against John P. Jackson, Jr., delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2305, the se¼ of section 36, t 12 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 160 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior court.

The People of the state of California send greeting to John P. Jackson, Jr., delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2305, the se¼ of section 36, t 12 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 160 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above-named plaintiff in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, Cal., to-wit:

Se¼ of section 36, t 12 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and to render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 11,591, dated the 6th day of June, 1889, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[SEAL.] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, district attorney, for plaintiff. j17

Summons.
No. 6534.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The people of the State of California, plaintiff, against Mary L. Baugle, delinquent purchaser of the following described State lands: Location No. 3456. All of section 36, t 15 s, r 11 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior Court.

The people of the State of California send greeting to Mary L. Baugle, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 3456. All of section 36, t 15 s, r 11 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno County, Cal., to-wit: All of section 36, t 15 s, r 11 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 12,032, dated the 5th day of August, 1890, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[SEAL.] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for pl'tff. j17

Summons.
No. 6525.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The people of the state of California, plaintiff, against L. Patzer and Thomas Harris, assignee of L. Patzer, delinquent purchaser of the following described State lands: Location No. 3501. All of section 16, t 15 s, r 11 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendants.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior Court.

The people of the State of California send greeting to L. Patzer and Thomas Harris, assignee of L. Patzer, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No 3501. All of section 16, t 15 s, r 11 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno County, Cal., to-wit: All of section 16, t 15 s, r 11 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 12,220, dated the 11th day of May, 1891, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[SEAL.] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk
Alva E. Snow District Attorney, for pl'tff. j17

FRESNO'S ORPHANAGE

First Annual Meeting of the Association.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

A Most Gratifying Showing of the Work of the Year.

The annual meeting of the Fresno Orphans' Home Association was held on Monday and the reports of the officers show the institution to be in good condition.

The following is the report of the secretary for the year past:

Until about a year ago it had been the custom of the supervisors of Fresno county to provide for the orphans and homeless children who were thrown on their hands as best they could, placing them with various families who would take them, etc. But the number kept steadily growing, and the question of sending them all to the Good Templars' home in Vallejo was seriously considered. But then a number of ladies, feeling that it would be for the best interests of the children as well as the county, to create a permanent home in Fresno for such children, met and formed, with the consent of the Board of Supervisors, an organization for their care and maintenance, which was called the Fresno Orphans' Home Association.

After several preliminary meetings the organization was finally completed. Mrs. J. D. Gray was chosen president, Mrs. L. H. Hatch first vice president, Mrs. F. M. Miller second vice president, Mrs. J. J. Seymour secretary, and Mrs. C. C. Merriam treasurer, of the permanent organization. A board of fifteen managers, consisting of the following, were selected: Mrs. William Harvey, Mrs. R. Ruben, Mrs. C. J. Craycroft, Mrs. William Helm, Mrs. T. J. Hay, Mrs. John Reichman, Mrs. W. D. Coates, Mrs. Colin Chisholm, Mrs. M. K. Harris (whose place was filled later by Mrs. Robert Kennedy), Mrs. W. T. Maupin, Mrs. William Oothout, Mrs. F. T. Berry, Mrs. C. L. Walter, Mrs. J. B. Smith and Mrs. Louis Herringhi. A constitution and by-laws were also adopted.

The following standing committees, appointed by the president, served during the year: On finances—Mrs. Colin Chisholm, Mrs. M. K. Harris and Mrs. William Harvey; on supplies—Mrs. Helm, Mrs. Maupin and Mrs. Craycroft; on household, school and discipline—Mrs. Oothout, Mrs. Coates and Mrs. Walter.

It was decided to make the fee $1 for annual membership and $5 for life membership. The aim of the management was to make the organization so large that every man and woman in Fresno county can become a member.

The institution has been kept non-sectarian strictly in accordance with the agreement with the supervisors, the children being allowed to attend any Sunday school their relatives or friends desired.

The managers found great difficulty in obtaining a suitable house for the home, and for several months were obliged to use one that was not appropriate to the purpose, but by keeping on the watch for several months the Mott house on N street was finally secured. It is large enough, and is suitable for the present.

There have been under the care of the institution during the year an average of eighteen children for each month. There were four deaths during the year, one from scrofulous disease that he was born with, one by accidental drowning and two from acute diseases. The general health otherwise has been good.

The county pays $6 a month for each child. With a large number together this would be sufficient to give them food and shelter, but the expenses have far exceeded this amount. A charity ball was given in February of 1895 which netted $152; another in November brought $268.30. Besides these an entertainment was given in the Lone Star district by Mrs. A. E. Elliott and her son, which brought in $30. Another ball was given in Kutner colony that netted $18. All through the year the people have been very generous in sending in donations of all kinds, money, fruit, clothing, etc. So the end of the year finds the home in a flourishing condition financially as well as in all other ways.

When the home first opened, Mrs. E. M. Hoffman was employed as matron. After a month or two it was considered best to make a change, and Mrs. Agnes McDonald was installed in her place. The management has every reason to congratulate itself on the acquisition of Mrs. McDonald in this capacity, she being eminently fitted for the position.

A Christmas tree was given to the children of the orphanage on the day before Christmas, and a testimonial to the popularity of this charity was given in the liberal way in which gifts of all kinds were poured in for it; more, indeed, than could be used at one time and many of the things had to be put away for future occasions.

There was a slight hope at one time that C. P. Huntington would donate the property known as the Pollasky residence for use as an orphanage, but after answering one or two letters he seemed to drop the matter, and so it was given up.

This is, in brief, the history of the organization for its one year. The undertaking was an experiment, but with the encouragement received and the earnest interest shown by the undertakers, there seems to be no reason why it should not be a permanent success, as we feel it has been this year, notwithstanding the mistakes incidental to learning. MRS. CORRINE H. SEYMOUR, Secretary.

Mrs. C. C. Merriam, treasurer, submitted the following statement as to finances, showing a balance on hand of $384.32:—Moneys received—county fund, $1178.50; donations, $131.60; first charity ball, $231.10; second charity ball, $271.30; membership fees, $181; interest on warrants, $2.95; payment of funeral expenses of George Bryson, $12; left from Christmas committee, $9; total, $2018.45.

Expenses during different months: January $126.15, February $125.04, March $128.08, April $158.70, May $153.95, June $94.90, July $138.97, August $97.10, September $142.44, October $78.30, November $227.40, first charity ball expenses $81.20, second charity ball expenses $71.90, allowed Christmas tree committee $10; total $1634.13.

After the reports had been received the election of officers for the ensuing year was held. The following was the result: President, Mrs. John D. Gray; first vice president, Mrs. E. W. Risley; second vice president, Mrs. W. D. Coates; secretary, Mrs. J. J. Seymour; treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Merriam. The following were elected a board of managers: Miss Minnie Eshelman, Mesdames H. C. Smith, L. L. Gray, A. Nowhouse, Nannie B. McWhirter, J. W. Gearhart, Mark Webster, A. Weilheimer, L. P. Swift, H. Gundelfinger, J. A. Rawlins, Robert Kennedy, G. B. Rogers, Mrs. Rooding and Miss L. H. Hatch.

A report of the expenses for the month of December, amounting to $206.23, was then received. The items were as follows: Wood for three months, $27.50; groceries, $12.95; five iron beds, balance, $17.50; vegetables, $3.10; milk, $13.68; dry goods, $38.25; meat, $6.75; rent, $27; cook, $20; matron, $30; washing, $9.50; postal cards, $1.

Interest in the noble work by the ladies of Fresno has not flagged in the least. This was manifested at the annual meeting. The work of maintaining the home is gladly borne by the ladies, and too much cannot be said in praise of their efforts.

NOCTURNAL BONDSMEN.

SUPERVISORS DISCUSS AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

The District Attorney Opposed to Prisoners Being Bailed Out at Night.

The supervisors yesterday plodded through a mass of bills against the county, each claim receiving the most careful scrutiny. If any doubtful charges slip through it will not be the fault of the supervisors.

Only one item of importance cropped up incidentally during the day. Deputy Sheriff Hi Rapelji, a Chinatown watchman, drew the attention of the board to the fact that Deputy Constable John Albin had arrested a Chinese for vagrancy on Wednesday evening and had conveyed the prisoner to the county jail. Rapelji went to Recorder Clark with two bondsmen about 10 o'clock, but Judge Clark said that he had had a conversation with Justice St. John, in the course of which the latter had said that the district attorney had directed that no prisoners be released on bonds after dark. Under these circumstances the Chinese had been detained in jail all night.

Letcher moved that Sayre and Rose be appointed a committee of two to confer with the district attorney about the matter. After some discussion a substitute motion by Sayre that the district attorney be requested to appear forthwith before the board prevailed, and presently Deputy District Attorney Jones entered the room and inquired the pleasure of the supervisors.

The facts above related were stated to Mr. Jones, and he expressed the opinion that the matter was outside the jurisdiction of the board. He had not heard anything of the order said to have been given by the District Attorney. The law provides a ready and expeditious means for securing the release of prisoners at any time, by application for a writ of habeas corpus. Speaking of the acceptance of bonds, Mr. Jones pointed out that it is not to the interest of the justices or of the community that bonds should be hastily accepted. Sometimes the amount is fixed too low, and then a prisoner who is only charged with a misdemeanor where a felony has been committed, gets off. On the other hand the charge may have been such as to suggest heavy bonds where the actual offense is a light one, and thus a prisoner may suffer a hardship. He thought it a good thing that justices and others should have time to look into the sufficiency of the bonds, even in the case of white men, and there is obviously a necessity for even greater care in the case of Chinese sureties. Mr. Jones smiled as he reminded the supervisors that there are such things as straw bondsmen and that the grand jury is now in session. He continued that sometimes application is made to one justice for bonds where the prisoner has been arrested on a complaint sworn out before the other justice. This is a bad system.

After a brief discussion the matter was dropped. In reply to a question Mr. Jones said the District Attorney is busy just now, and would require a little time to prepare an answer on the Hoxie-Vincent matter. The case is now pending in the courts.

The board approved the sureties of Buker & Colson for due performance of the contract awarded them for furnishing supplies of drugs to the county hospital.

S. D. Minor was yesterday arraigned in Justice St. John's court on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, preferred by Carmino Distefellow. It is alleged that Minor leased to Distefellow a piece of land over which he had no authority.

A SUDDEN DEATH.

W. T. Martin Succumbs After a Few Hours' Sickness.

A man named W. T. Martin died yesterday at the county jail after a sickness of a few hours. He was a plumber and had been fixing the heating pipes about the jail and court house. On Tuesday night he complained of a pain in his head. Yesterday he was worse, and was taken to a bed in the jail building and Dr. Davidson of the county hospital was sent for. He found Martin's pulse down to 35, and he breathed his last soon after. His brother, Charles Martin, lives in Salt Lake, and is an engineer by trade. It has not been determined what was the cause of death.

Fresno Oil for Fuel.

From the Hanford Democrat.

Five barrels of oil were brought over from the Worswick well, near Coalinga, today and taken to the Hanford water works, where it will be tested as fuel. Mr. Worswick states that there is now about thirty barrels of crude oil in the tunnel that was run some time since, and that the dipping out of the five barrels did not appreciably depreciate the quantity on hand, as the oil came out freely as quantities were removed. More oil will be brought here soon, as the water works will undoubtedly use it for fuel.

Suit of Ejectment.

Henry Wolters has commenced suit against Henry Pero to eject him from the south half of block G, Wolters colony. The complaint states that in 1891 Mr. Pero bought this land for $3200, agreeing to pay for it in one year without interest. At the end of the year the time for payment was extended twelve months upon Mr. Pero promising to pay interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum. He having failed to make payment, is now asked to give up the premises, together with the improvements belonging to it. The plaintiff is represented by G. B. Graham.

Lecture by J. A. Stroud.

From the Selma Irrigator.

J. A. Stroud will deliver a lecture on "Alaska" in the public school building Friday next at 3 o'clock p. m. This lecture will be the first of a series of lectures to be delivered every Friday following, at between 3 and 4 o'clock by citizens of Selma upon various subjects. Much good and valuable information may be derived from these lectures by the pupils and others who hear them. The idea was introduced by Professor Guttery.

Two Foreclosure Suits.

Two foreclosure suits were filed yesterday. Gottfrid Corlson claims $225 from Charles Weyshman, secured by mortgage on south half of northeast quarter and north half of southeast quarter section 30, township 14, range 23. The plaintiff is represented by Frank Laning.

J. T. Goodman has sued James P. McCarthy for $1200 secured by mortgage on northeast quarter section 16, township 15, range 18.

Order to Show Cause.

Superior court, Fresno county.
Estate of A. W. Peirce, deceased.

UPON READING AND FILING THE PETITION of Joanna P. Pierce, one of the executrices of the will of A. W. Peirce deceased, praying that the executrices of said will be authorized, empowered and directed to mortgage certain real property belonging to the estate of said deceased, which is described as follows, to-wit:

Section 15, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 8; the southwest quarter, the west half of the southeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 9, all in township 12 south, of range 21 east, M.D.B. and M.

It is ordered that all persons interested in said estate appear before the above entitled court on the 21st day of February, A.D. 1896, at the hour of 10 o'clock a.m., in department 2 of said court, to show cause if any they have, why the said real property should not be mortgaged as prayed for, for the sum of $4300, as is more fully set forth in said petition, reference to which is hereby made for further particulars. Done in open court January 16th, 1896.

STANTON L. CARTER,
j17 Judge of Superior court, Fresno county.

SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT.

The Sum Allowed Each District in the County.

OFFICE OF CO. SUPT. OF SCHOOLS,
FRESNO, Cal., Jan. 14, 1896.

HON. J. E. WHITSON, County Treasurer:

DEAR SIR:—I herewith hand you statement of apportionment of $45,743.05 state school money, to the different school districts of the county, distributed as follows, to-wit:

Auberry Valley	$268 65
Alcalde	256 25
American Colony	285 17
Artesia	165 40
Burch	165 36
Bethel	239 74
Belmont	379 41
Black Mountain	105 40
Big Sandy	243 87
Bryant	165 40
Cherry	156 01
Crescent	248 00
Centerville	258 22
Canal	322 34
Clark's Valley	227 35
Clay	260 29
Caruthers	231 48
Central	272 78
Clovis	165 40
City of Fresno	8575 12
Duke	219 09
Deer Park	190 18
Dry Creek	281 04
Eureka	253 22
Easterby	248 00
Elkhorn	285 17
Eschol	252 13
Empire	227 35
Fairview	156 01
Fairview (joint)	57 04
Fruitvale	177 75
Fresno Colony	770 25
Ft. Washington	219 09
Fancher	154 62
Firebaugh	239 74
Fowler	1103 35
Franklin	305 82
Frankwood	211 96
Fink	306 06
Garfield	264 52
Gill	265 65
Granville	152 97
Houghton	264 62
Huron	231 38
Hughes	165 38
Hill's Valley	132 82
Hopewell	191 31
Hawkins	248 00
Happy Canon	157 10
Harrison (joint)	276 78
Hazelton	132 22
Iowa	318 21
Idlewild	186 05
Jacalitos	190 18
Jefferson	320 60
Kingston	375 21
Kroeger	505 70
Kingsburg	503 28
Kirk	578 60
Kutner Colony	297 56
Lone Star	281 04
Liberty	260 89
Lewis Creek	186 05
Lorena	210 93
Letcher	227 35
Lower Mill Creek	198 44
Little Panoche	169 49
Lake	524 91
Lawn Tennis	157 10
Mountain View	211 96
Mechanicsville	219 09
Millerton	206 70
Monroe	223 22
Malaga	396 68
Magnolia	252 13
Mill Creek	231 48
Madison	462 93
Mendocino	252 13
Mississippi	207 57
Mendota	248 00
Mercy	186 03
New Hope	960 39
Oleander	628 16
Orange Center	671 47
Pomona	395 82
Perrin	211 96
Panoche	165 36
Paige	264 52
Princeton	272 76
Prairie	231 04
Pleasant Valley	206 70
Pleasant Vale	285 17
Pine Grove	227 35
Pine Ridge	202 53
Round Mountain	239 74
River Bend	322 34
Riverdale	268 65
Riverside	165 36
Rosedale	214 96
Red Banks	181 88
Rose	165 40
Sycamore	260 39
Sentinel	202 57
Smith's Ferry	395 12
Scandinavian	351 25
Sanger	1405 10
Sunnyside	173 62
Squaw Valley	243 87
Terry	293 48
Temperance	276 91
Thermal	165 40
Valley View	2569 17
West Park	610 55
Wahtoke	165 36
Walnut	293 43
Washington Colony	1189 76
West Dry Creek	198 44
Wolters	239 74
Zorra	76 91

Respectfully Yours,
T. J. KIRK, County Superintendent.

Many underground wires are already being laid for the next campaign.

Kicked by a Colt.

A 4-year-old daughter of Mrs. M. A. Geddee who lives near this city was severely hurt yesterday by a kick from a colt which she was trying to catch. The colt's shoe cut a deep gash in the left side of the child's head, but the injury will not likely prove fatal. She was brought to this city for medical attendance.

The report that Kings river had run dry seems to have been unfounded. L. B. Church of the canal company is authority for the assertion that there is at present running forty feet of water in the east channel.

Mrs. J. P. Bell, Ossawatomie, Kan. wife of the editor of The Graphic, the leading local paper of Miami county, writes "***I was troubled with heart disease*** for six years, severe palpitations, shortness of breath, together with such extreme nervousness, that, at times I would walk the floor nearly all night. We consulted the best medical talent. ***They said there was no help for me,*** that I had organic disease of the heart for which there was no remedy. I had read your advertisement in The Graphic and a year ago, as a last resort, tried one bottle of ***Dr. Miles' New Cure for the Heart,*** which convinced me that there was true merit in it. I took three bottles each of the Heart Cure and Restorative Nervine and ***It completely cured me. I sleep*** well at night, my heart beats regularly and I have no more smothering spells. I wish to say to all who are suffering as I did; there's relief untold for them if they will only give your remedies just one trial."

Dr. Miles Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it at $1, 6 bottles for $5, or it will be sent, prepaid, on receipt of price by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Restores Health

Notice to Redeem Real Estate.

Sold for the non-payment of the City of Fresno taxes for the year 1894. (Under section 3785 of the Political Code.)
State of California, County of Fresno, ss.
To L. V. Olcese.

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the following property assessed, situate, lying and being within the said City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Mortgage interest in lot 28, block 222, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the Recorder's office of Fresno County, was, on the 24th day of December, 1894, in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the Tax Collector of said City of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity or the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought at said sale on said day that portion of said land lying and being within said City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Mortgage interest in lot 28, block 222, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the Recorder's office of Fresno County.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $1.31, said sale being No. 132. The amount due at the date hereof is $13.06, and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the Tax Collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

Witness my hand this 17th day of January, 1896. ELIZABETH SPINNEY.
Witness to signature, Rose Spinney Plumer.

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To L. B. Bates.

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Mortgage interest in lot 22, and north 20 feet of lot 21 and south 10 feet of lot 23, block 375, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the Recorder's office of Fresno County, was, on the 24th day of December, 1894, in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the Tax Collector of said City of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity of the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought bought at said sale on said that portion of said land lying and being within said City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Mortgage interest in lot 22, and north 20 feet of lot 21 and south 10 feet of lot 23, block 375, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the Recorder's office of Fresno County.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $1.55, said sale being No. 24. The amount due at the date hereof is $12.87 and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the Tax Collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

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To E. D. Ensey.

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the following property assessed, situate, lying and being within the said city of Fresno county of Fresno, state of California, particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Mortgage interest in lots 7 and 8, block 142, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county, was, on the 24th day of December, 1894, in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the tax collector of said city of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity or the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought at said sale on said day that portion of said land lying and being within said city of Fresno, county of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Mortgage interest in lots 7 and 8, block 142, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $2.81, said sale being No. 50. The amount due at the date hereof is $14.76, and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the tax collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

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To F. Hertern:

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Mortgage interest in lots 9 and 10, block 138, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county, was, on the 24th day of December, 1894 in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the tax collector of said city of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity or the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought at said sale on said day that portion of said land lying and being within said city of Fresno, county of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Mortgage interest in lots 9 and 10, block 138, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $2.08, said sale being No. 85. The amount due at the date hereof is $13.67, and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the tax collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

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To A. W. Adams.

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Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16 block 174, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the Recorder's office of Fresno County, was, on the 22nd day of December, 1894, in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the Tax Collector of said City of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity or the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought at said sale on said day that portion of said land lying and being within said City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, block 174, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the Recorder's office of Fresno County.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $5.22, said sale being No. 5. The amount due at the date hereof is $18.55, and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the Tax Collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

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To W. J. McCaustand.

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the following property assessed, situate, lying and being within the said city of Fresno, county of Fresno, state of California, particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 11 and 12, block 385, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county, was, on the 24th day of December, 1894, in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the tax collector of said city of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity or the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought at said sale on said day that portion of said land lying and being within said city of Fresno, county of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to wit: Lots 11 and 12, block 385, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $2.60, said sale being No. 124. The amount due at the date hereof is $14.45, and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the tax collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

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To D. B. Greenwood.

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Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, block 273, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county, was, on the 22nd day of December, 1894, in accordance with law, offered for sale at public auction by the tax collector of said city of Fresno, to the bidder who was willing to take least quantity or the smallest portion of said land and pay the taxes and costs due thereon, for delinquent taxes for the year 1894, and that Elizabeth Spinney bought at said sale on said day that portion of said land lying and being within said city of Fresno, county of Fresno, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, block 273, according to the official plat of said town, now city, on file and of record in the recorder's office of Fresno county.

That said Elizabeth Spinney paid for the same the sum of $1.07, said sale being No. 67. The amount due at the date hereof is $15.65, and that the said purchaser will apply for a deed for said property according to law on the 16th day of February, 1896, that being thirty days from and after the date thereof, and that unless said property is sooner redeemed, the undersigned will apply to the tax collector, or his successor in office, for a deed to said last described portion of said property.

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BUSINESS HOUSES AND INDIVIDUALS

Can obtain all information in their line from the press of the state, coast or country from the PRESS CLIPPING BUREAU, 510 Montgomery street, San Francisco.

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White Front Stores,

And will continue until all Winter Goods are sold. POSITIVELY THE GREATEST VALUES EVER OFFERED. Here are a few of the prices:

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.

Heavy Tennis Flannel, 4c.
6-cent Dress Print in different colors in elegant designs at 2½c.
25 yards Bleached and Unbleached Crash for $1.00.
Our 5 and 8-cent Cotton Flannel having no comparison in this town.
Very heavy 4-4 Unbleached Muslin, 5c.
Apron Gingham in all colors, 3c.
French Gingham, fine assortment, worth 10c, sale price 6c.
Extra large size Comforters with White Cotton filling, worth $1.50 and $1.75, will be sold at $1.00.
Don't buy 9-4 sheeting before you have seen our celebrated quality at 13c.
35 Damask Tablecloth, 8-10-4, with colored border in plain white, worth $2.00 and $2.50, now $1.50.
11-4 Heavy Farmer Blanket, something good, $1.00.
Oil Red Table Damask, 20c.
56 Inches Heavy Irish Table Linen, 25c.
8-4 Belgium and Tapestry Table Covers, $1.15.
Linen Damask Towels, 18-36, 13½c.
Extra Heavy Linen Huck Towels, 21-41, 15c.
Bedspread, Ne plus ultra, at 65c and 85c.
Are you looking for extra fine French Table Linen and Napkins?
Also Hemstitched Table Sets? Call in and see our goods and get prices.
4-4 Lonsdale Muslin, 7½c.
Lace Curtains, 50c a pair.

Dry Goods Department.

52-inch Ladies' Cloth, all colors, 50c to 35c.
56-inch Ladies' Cloth, all colors, 75c to 55c.
52-inch Broadcloth, all colors, 85c to 60c.
56-inch Broadcloth, all colors, $1.00 to 95c.
56-inch Broadcloth, all colors, $1.50 to $1.05.
40-inch Covert Mixed Suitings, 25c.
44-inch Scotch Mixtures, 40c to 25c.
40-inch Scotch Mixtures, 40c to 30c.
42-inch Tweed Suitings, 50c to 35c.
40-inch Novelty Suitings, 50c to 35c.
40-inch Beige Suitings, 60c to 40c.
40-inch Beige Suitings, Silk Mixed, $1.00 to 60c.
46-inch Mixed Reversible Suitings, 75c to 60c.
40-inch French Cashmere, all colors, 45c to 30c.
40-inch French Henrietta, all colors, 65c to 45c.
46-inch French Henrietta, all colors, 75c to 45c.
46-inch Serge, all colors, 75c to 57½c.
43-inch Crepone and Diagonal Suitings, 75c to 57½c.
52-inch English Storm Serge, 75c and $1.00 to 50c and 60c.
52-inch English Storm Serge, $1.25 to 75c.
52-inch English Storm Serge, $1.50 to $1.00.
40-inch Checked Suitings, 50c to 35c.
40-inch Plaid Suitings, 50c to 35c.
Full line French Flannels, 50c to 35c.

SILKS.

20-inch Colored China Silks, 25c to 20c.
24-inch Colored China Silks, 35c to 25c.
20-inch Faille Francaise Silks, $1.00 to 60c.
21-inch Plaid Surrah Silks, $1.00 to 75c.
21-inch Fancy Changeable Silks, $1.00 to 75c.
21-inch Black Faille Francaise Silks, $1.00 to 75c.
21-inch Black Satin Duchesse Silks, $1.00 to 75c.
27-inch Colored Japanese Silks, 50c to 40c.
Colored Silk Velvets, all shades, $1.25 to 80c.

CLOAK DEPARTMENT.

Our Cloak Department has some goods left. If you wish any goods in this department come in and pay us one-half price for them and they are yours.

Fancy Goods Department.

UNDERWEAR.

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vests and Pants, fleeced extra long with lock stitch, 25c each.
Ladies' Ribbed Vests, non-shrinkable wool, colors White and Silver Gray, an elegant fitting garment, 75c each.
Ladies' Natural Wool Vests and Pants, sizes 28 to 44, finished with silk braid, health underwear, 75c each.
Ladies' Vests and Pants, made in pure Australian Wool, in White and Natural colors, finished with good Silk Ribbon, a fine garment for $1.00.
A full line of Union Suits Oneita. These goods are greatly reduced, ranging in price from $1.00 to $5.00.
Children's White and Gray Merino Vests and Pants, all sizes, 15c to 85c.
Infants' Wool Vest, nicely finished, well made, 25c for all sizes.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Children's School Handkerchief, half-inch hem, material fine India linen, guaranteed fast colors, only 5c each.
Ladies fine India Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered with scolloped edge, new design, something really pretty, 3 for 50c.

HOSIERY.

Ladies' Misses' and Children's Black and Tan Cotton Hose, seamless, at 10c a pair.
Ladies' Fast Black Cotton Hose, double soled, full 40 guage, 29-inch long, velvet finish, heavy quality, our regular 25c hose, we will give you for 16 2-3c, 3 pairs for 50c.
Ladies', Misses' and Children's All-Wool Hose, full regular made, seamless, all sizes, at 20c a pair.
Full line of Boy's Bicycle Hose in wide ribs, extra heavy, all sizes, 25c a pair.

FURNISHING GOODS.

GLOVES.

15 Dozen Men's Gloves reduced from 50c to 35c.
12 Dozen Men's Gloves reduced from 75c to 50c.
17 Dozen Men's Gloves reduced from $1.25 to 75c.
10 Dozen Men's Foster Kid Gloves reduced from $1.50 to $1.00.

SOCKS.

Men's All-Wool Socks, 3 pair for 50c.
Men's fine Lamb Wool Socks, 25c pair.
Men's fine Socks in all shades, 2 pair 25c.

NECKWEAR AND SUSPENDERS.

We are leaders in Neckwear and Suspenders. We carry the largest stock on the Coast.

WHITE SHIRTS.

Men's Unlaundered shirts at 35c.
Men's White Shirts, Linen Bosom, at 50c.
Men's White Shirts, fine Linen Bosom, 75c.
4-Ply Linen Collars, all styles, $1.00 dozen.
4-Ply Linen Cuffs, all styles, 3 pair for 50c.
We are the sole agents for the celebrated Gold and Silver Brand shirts.
25 Dozen Men's Shirts reduced from 40c to 25c.
50 Dozen Men's Shirts reduced from 65c to 40c.
10 Dozen Men's Wool Shirts reduced from $1.50 to $1.00.

SHIRTS.

Boy's Shirts, all shades, from 20c up.

UNDERWEAR.

56 Dozen Men's Grey Shirts and Drawers, worth 50c, now 35c.
75 Dozen Men's Camels Hair Shirts and Drawers, worth 75c, now 50c.
15 Dozen Men's Wool Shirts and Drawers, worth $1.00, now 75c.
18 Dozen Men's fine Australian Wool Shirts and Drawers, in all shades, reduced from $1.75 to $1.25 each.

OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT.

We are making a special effort in our Shoe Department during this Great Clearance Sale to give our customers greater values than at any of our well known sales of the past.

Ladies' fine Felt Lace Shoes, Old Ladies' Comforts, 75c.
Ladies' fine Felt Slippers, Old Ladies' Comforts, 75c.
Ladies' Pebble Goat or Calf, Button Shoes, good quality, $1.35.
Old Ladies' Comforts, fine Kid, pliable soles, lace or congress, $1.75.
Ladies' fine Dongola Kid Button Shoes, patent leather tips, narrow, square and razor toes, regular $2.00 shoes, $1.45.
Ladies' Genuine Kangaroo Calf Shoes, all styles, best grade, $1.75.

SPECIAL ATTENTION.

Our Ladies' Fine Kid Button Shoes in the New narrow square, also the most extreme pointed toes, widths A to EE, all sizes, 1728 pairs in all, in cloth or kid tops, have just arrived—$2.50, $3.00 and $3.50 shoes. But they are too late, and will be placed on the market during this sale at $1.90 and $2.40.
Infant's Fine Kid Shoes, hand turn soles, 40c.
A large and complete stock of Misses' and Children's Shoes, which limited space does not permit us to mention, will also be placed on sale.
Men's Working Shoes, $1.25
Men's Working Shoes, $1.40
Men's Light Shoes, lace or congress, $1.40
Police Shoes, three soles, lace or congress, $1.65
The Best Full Stock Workman's Shoe on earth, $1.90
Men's fine, light calf Dress Shoes, all styles, $3.00 and $3. grades, during this sale, $2.35

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Our entire stock of Men's Genuine Hand Sewed Shoes, in French calf, kangaroo or cordovan, any style. All good makes, such as James A. Banister, Strong & Carroll, Wright and Richards, $5.00, $6.00 and $7.00 shoes, will be sold during this great sale at $3.90.

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Lot 1—85 Men's Suits, odd lot numbers, in small size Cutaway Frocks, sizes 33, 34, 35 and 36. These are elegant suits, not one of which is worth less than $11.00. As they are odd sizes we are selling them during this sale at $4.75.
Lot 2—65 Men's Business Suits, regular sizes, good make. Worth $10.00. During the sale our price is $6.75.
Lot 3—50 Men's fine Oregon Cashmere from the Oregon Woolen Mills, well made clothing. Worth $12.50. Our annual clearance sale price $8.50.
Lot 4—65 Men's Double Breasted extra heavy All-Wool Cheviots. Our regular $15.00 suits. During this sale $10.00.
Lot 5—100 Suits of extra fine Black Clay Worsted Dress Suits, in frocks and sacks, made by the best Rochester clothing manufacturers. Not a suit sold in our house of this kind less than $15.00. Notwithstanding that the goods are new and just from the factory we will place them in with the other goods offered at this sale and name the sale price in these suits $10.00.
Lot 6—60 Young Men's Suits, running from 14 to 19, extra fine Cashmeres and Worsted. They are worth $12.50. But as the sizes and lots are broken we shall offer them during this sale at $8.50.
Lot 7—200 Boys' Suits, consisting of school and dress suits, All-Wool Cashmeres and Worsted, Double Knees and seat. Regular $4.00 suits. Sale price $2.50.

OVERCOATS! OVERCOATS!

Our Overcoats must be cleaned out during this sale, as we shall not carry any over. The prices will make them go.
Similar reductions on all goods in the Juvenile Clothing Department.

HATS.

Men's Fur Fedora Hats, former price $1.50, reduced to $1.00 each.
Men's fine Fur Fedora Hats, former price $2.50, reduced to $1.50 each.
Men's superfine Fur Fedora Hats, former price $3.00, reduced to $2.00 each.
Men's Wool Alpine Hats, former price $1.00, reduced to 50c each.
Men's Fur Alpine Hats, former price $1.50, reduced to $1.00 each.
Men's fine Fur Alpine Hats, former price $2.00, reduced to $1.25 each.
Men's Wool Crush Hats, former price 75c, reduced to 50c each.
Men's Fur Crush Hats, former price $1.25, reduced to $1.00 each.
Wool Planters Hats, former price $1.00, reduced to 50c each.
Wool Planters Hats, former price $1.50, reduced to $1.00 each.

If You Miss This Sale, You Are Losing Money.

White Front Stores,

RADIN & KAMP. 1027, 1029 and 1031 I St.

A CHINESE PRESIDENT

The See Yup Chief Arrives in Fresno.

HE WILL PACIFY CHINATOWN

Highbinder Luey Has a Multiplicity of Charges Against Him.

From Saturday's Daily.

They were merry in Chinese circles yesterday and a large part of the population moved to this side, first congregating in Recorder Clark's court and then in Justice St. John's. The cause was the somewhat liberal application of the law of the land to L. Luey, who is said to be a bad highbinder.

Luey is the man who was arrested by R. P. Russell some time ago while in the act, it is claimed, of taking a Chinese laborer to the court in Lam Lee's place. Luey is a See Yup man, and the merchant who had been patronized by the laborer is a Sam Yep.

Luey was tried in Recorder Clark's court on a charge of disturbing the peace. Policeman Russell testified that he was attracted by the loud cries of the laborer, and when he came upon the scene he found the defendant dragging his unwilling prisoner along. A number of other witnesses also testified for the prosecution. Judge Clark took the case under advisement. J. H. Collins conducted the prosecution while W. D. Crichton and Ira G. Orton of San Francisco, defended.

After the trial in Judge Clark's court Luey was taken before Justice St. John to answer to a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to commit robbery. The circumstances of this charge are the same as in the other, only that it is further alleged that Luey exhibited his pistol to intimidate the laborer. Luey was arraigned and placed under $1500 bonds.

Still another accusation has been lodged against Luey on the same ground. It is charged that he impersonated an officer in taking his prisoner to court. When Officer Russell came up, Luey at first defied him, saying: "I am a Chinese policeman just as you are an American officer." Russell answered that he would "fool him a trip" and took him to jail.

Luey will evidently get a good dose of justice before he is through.

But the most important event of the day was the arrival on the evening train of Lee Won Suey, the president of the See Yup organization. President Suey hails from the bay city and is a power in Chinese affairs in this country. He was preceded night before last by Ira G. Orton, one of his attorneys, and last night J. C. Campbell, another of his attorneys, put in an appearance

The mission of these men is to pacify Chinatown. Suey was interviewed by a REPUBLICAN reporter last night. He is an intelligent looking Chinaman and though very courteous, acted like one in authority. He leaned back in his chair, drawing long, comfortable whiffs from his cigar. He is not very proficient in the use of the English language, although he has been in this country for eighteen years, and the interview had to be held through an interpreter.

Suey said that he came to Fresno to order his people in this city to cease fighting; to act independently of the Sam Yeps and not interfere with them; to use only persuasion to get people to trade with See Yup stores.

Suey said that his order to the See Yups would be sufficient to get them to cease fighting. If the Sam Yeps persist in fighting, Suey said the See Yups would have recourse to the law. As to the boycott, it grew out of the Mock Tai murder case in San Francisco.

Suey said that the highbinders, or professional blackmailers, are not very numerous in his company, and that he was doing all he could to suppress them.

The president will remain in Fresno several days, if necessary. When asked what his impression was regarding Fresno he said the reputation of the county for business was very good among the Chinese wholesale houses in San Francisco.

President Suey is no insignificant personage, as he controls to a great extent about 200,000 Chinamen in the United States, there being that number in the See Yup Company.

MEETING OF TRUSTEES.

The Goodfellow Sewer Contracts Are Given Consideration.

The city trustees met yesterday morning in special session to consider the Goodfellow question, but were unable to take action, in consequence of Mayor Craycroft being in Los Angeles. The law requires that in these cases notice shall be given to every member of the board to attend and this was impossible so far as Mr. Craycroft was concerned. Spinney was also absent.

Trustee Austin took the chair and the crowd of workmen in the hall listened with interest to the remarks of Judge Strother representing the bondsmen. Judge Strother, upon bringing up the question of completing the work at once and of a possible request by the bondsmen for an extension of time beyond the 20th instant, was told that the contract having been signed on November 11th, the ninety days would not be up till February 11th, so that there is a whole month available. He then went on to point out that to the best of his knowledge there is $1675 due Goodfellow on the No. 4 contract which can be completed in a few days. By proper management and under a law recognized by the supreme court of the state it is possible to secure this money so that it may be applied to pay the workmen and creditors, instead of going to the contractors. He showed that a municipality cannot be garnished, so that the attempts made to levy attachments on the money due Goodfellow will go for nothing. The claims must be settled by the superior court. He felt confident in saying that if a little prudence and patience were exercised, the matter would be settled with justice to the bondsmen, the creditors and the laborers.

James Gallagher made a brief address in the same line, and on motion of Chittenden, seconded by McVey the board adjourned.

THOMAS WOOTTON SUED.

Sheriff Jay Scott Wants an Account Settled.

Suit was brought yesterday in the superior court of this county by Sheriff Jay Scott against Thomas Wootton, brother and heir at law of William Wootton. The object of the suit is to collect $1250, claimed as remuneration for services rendered in conjunction with Detective A. B. Lawson of Los Angeles in searching for Wootton's body and in looking out for the property.

Lawson is now dead, and his estate is being settled. He has an account of $2500 against the Wootton estate, and there was an agreement between him and Sheriff Scott that they would share it half and half, and it is to protect his interests that Sheriff Scott brought the suit.

The Athletic club has commenced to show considerable life of late. Friday afternoon was especially lively with members on the floor who were being drilled in class form by the new instructor. He intends to commence his evening classes tonight, and it is expected many will attend.

Court Notes.

From Saturday's Daily.

The following business was transacted in the several departments of the superior court yesterday:

BEFORE JUDGE WEBB, DEPARTMENT 3.

C. C. Merriam vs. H. E. Barnum; demurrer to affidavit for writ of mandate sustained.

George L. Hoxie vs. J. P. Vincent; perpetual injunction denied and temporary injunction dissolved.

S. N. Mitrovich vs. Fresno Fruit Packing Company; demurrer taken under advisement.

First National Bank vs. Frank Dusy; judgment amended as prayed for.

W. N. Snow vs. B. C. Wells; motion for judgment on pleadings taken under advisement.

The Farmers' Warehouse vs. Henry Pero; trial January 27th.

G. M. Metsuire vs. Martha A. Miller; trial January 28th.

Robert Bonifield vs. John Albin; trial January 29th.

H. L. Nudd vs. Hobbs & Parsons; trial February 3d.

Henry Larsen vs. Griffith & Skelley; trial February 4th.

W. T. Prather vs. Del Rio Rey Raisin and Fig Company; trial February 14th.

Hy Maxwell vs. William Fuller Tufts; trial February 14th.

Estrella Raisin Vineyard Company vs. H. B. Butler; trial February 5th.

W. N. Snow vs. B. C. Wells; trial February 15th.

G. N. Freman vs. J. B. Campbell; trial February 18th.

J. M. Pugh vs. Porter Brothers; motion for new trial denied.

People vs. William Crawford; trial February 6th.

People vs. J. W. Foster; trial February 7th.

People vs. M. P. Trienor; trial February 8th.

People vs. John D. Sullivan; pleads guilty, sentenced to Folsom two years.

G. Herminghaus vs. J. G. Chidister; stricken from the calendar.

California Savings and Loan Society vs. W. J. Zimmerman; stricken from the calendar.

James Parteous vs. M. S. Tarpey; stricken from the calendar.

C. Z. Turnbough vs. J. W. Green; stricken from the calendar.

John Brown vs. L. L. Packwood; stricken from the calendar.

W. D. Grady vs. Joe Spinney; stricken from the calendar.

Frank Mills vs. Mary Adams; stricken from the calendar.

Charles Brownstone vs. Joseph Macedo; stricken from the calendar.

James Blakeley vs. E. L. Hollingshead; stricken from the calendar.

San Joaquin and Kings River Canal Company vs. Fresno Flume and Irrigation Company; demurrer overruled and ten days to answer.

Order for twenty-four trial jurors to be in court February 3d at 10 a.m.

IT WAS ROAD DAY.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONSIDERING PETITIONS.

The Pine Ridge Toll Road Matter is Continued Another Week.

From Saturday's Daily.

Yesterday was road day at the Board of Supervisors. Garrett occupied the chair in the absence of Wickersham.

The petition of William R. Rose for a private road came up for final hearing. No one appeared. The report of the viewers was approved and the clerk was directed to notify the petitioner to deposit the award in the office of the county treasurer within thirty days.

The petition of T. B. Wheaton et al. for a road was continued. The same disposition was made of the petitions of W. Akins and G. L. Miller. The matter of the Maisbury road came up for final hearing and was continued till January 17th.

In the matter of the George Fuereth road it was ordered that the sum of $60 be paid Mr. Smith upon furnishing a good and sufficient deed to a right of way.

The matter of the J. H. LaRue road was referred to the district attorney to secure a right of way.

The petition of the Frankenau Brothers was continued till the February meeting of the board.

The petition of P. Archibald was continued without date; that of W. W. Machen till the February meeting. The same order was made in regard to Huntsman's petition. The petition of R. H. Kearnes, continued till January 17th.

The petition of S. D. Hopper et al. to have a road graded, referred to Supervisors Rose and Sayre, with power to act.

Pine Ridge toll road matter continued to January 17th.

In the petition of J. H. Sprague and others for a road, James Kerr and Frank Clavage appointed as viewers, to report at the February meeting of the board.

MRS. HALL'S ABSENCE.

It Has Ceased to Cause Her Husband Any Worry.

Mrs. Hall, who has gained notoriety during the past few days by deserting her husband and two children, is still in this city. She did not take the northbound train at Selma on Thursday morning as she said she would do. She is at present with a private family in the northeastern part of the city.

Mr. Hall says he has given up the search for her, and no longer fears that she will suffer from starvation, which was what he was anxious about when he first reported the case to the authorities. His reward of $5 for information leading to her recovery did not have the desired effect on the detectives. Mr. Hall even went so far as to pay several of these to look for her. A number of them were sworn in with the authority of the law and carried badges under their coat lapels. But it seems that those who discovered her whereabouts also took pay from Mrs. Hall, and agreed to keep the matter a secret. Consequently the husband was much handicapped.

HIGH SCHOOL SENATE.

New Members Elected and Questions Debated.

Ernest Lambert and John H. Rutherford were elected members of the high school senate at the regular weekly meeting last night. After attending to several business matters the senators proceeded to debate the following subject: *Resolved*, that the printing press has done more for civilization than the steam engine. Senators Hodgkin and Edwards championed the negative, and Potter and Gundelfinger spoke for the affirmative. The negative won.

After ten minutes devoted to parliamentary practice an extemporaneous debate was held on the following question: Are written examinations fair tests for the standings of pupils? This was won by the affirmative.

Eight Sacks of Birds.

Game Warden Frank Rowell yesterday returned from Mendota where he interrupted and confiscated eight sacks of ducks and a few geese, which had been killed near Collis and were about to be shipped from Mendota to the San Francisco market. It is against the law to ship wild ducks out of the county. A few geese were put in the sacks to hide the ducks.

TO PAY FOR BRIDGES

Large Bill Presented for Settlement.

LAW AND CANAL COMPANIES

A Matter of Great Importance Is in the Hands of the Supervisors.

From Saturday's Daily.

An important step is about to be taken by the supervisors in regard to the bridges over canals where public roads pass. It is proposed to collect from the canal companies the cost of building and repairing these bridges, in case it can be done according to law. The district attorney some time ago rendered an opinion on that question and decided that the canal companies must build bridges and keep them in repair. The same law holds in regard to culverts built by private parties to lead water across a public road. The builder must keep them in repair. If he does not, the county may do it and collect the amount from him by suit at law.

The matter is of great importance to this county where there are so many canals to be bridged and bridges to be kept in repair. It is one of the largest items in road expenses. If the canal companies are called upon to pay it, and if they do so, it will lessen by thousands of dollars each year the total road expenses of the county; and, as a matter of course, it will increase by that much the outlay of the canal companies.

An itemized bill has been made out for supervisor district No. 2, and has been handed to the agent of the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company. This company is the owner of most of the canals in the Second district. Other companies own canals in other districts, but the bills for their bridges have not yet been made out.

In order that the public may understand how important the matter is, below will be found an epitome of the bill presented to the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company for bridges in the Second district. Much labor was required to collect the data for the bill:

Bridge No. 1, cemetery avenue	$ 90 84
Bridge No. 1, Blackstone avenue	201 80
Bridge No. 4, Blackstone avenue, put in by ditch company, cost of repairing	159 56
Bridge No. 5, Blackstone avenue, cost of repairing	41 80
Bridge No. 6, Blackstone avenue, cost of repairing	27 50
Bridge No. 7, Blackstone avenue, cost of repairing	46 40
Bridge No. 10, cross roads, Holland colony	38 30
Bridge No. 1, Fresno street avenue	234 20
Bridge No. 12, Harris road	46 41
Bridge No. 14, Harris road	147 92
Bridge No. 16, Harris road	147 12
Bridge No. 1, Toll House road, put in by ditch company, estimated cost of maintaining seven years	100 00
Bridge No. 13, Toll House road	174 00
Bridge No. 17, Toll House road	42 80
Bridge No. 1, Jake Cole road	137 08
Bridge No. 2, Shipp road	89 70
Bridge No. 2, Clovis road, on Helm's east line	131 24
Bridge No. 4, Fruitvale avenue, Scandinavian colony	301 10
Bridge No. 1, Canal road, Barton's east line	217 32
Bridge No. 4, Railroad avenue, north from Las Palmas	216 80
Bridge No. 1, Belmont avenue	174 10
Bridge No. 6, Barton road	260 40
Bridge No. 2, Fairview road	184 60
Bridge No. 1, East avenue, Temperance colony	336 94
Bridge No. 1, road on west line of Temperance colony	217 98
Total	4038 14
Estimated previous cost	2360 00
Grand total	$6398 14

Up to the present time the county has kept canal bridges in repair, and from the above items from one supervisor district, it may seem that the total for the five districts will be a large sum.

PORTERVILLE'S CHALLENGE.

Fresno's Baseball Players Have Answered It.

The Fresno baseball team has sent an answer to the challenge of the Porterville boys, and the challenge is accepted. The game will be played at Porterville a week from tomorrow, and the Fresnos are confident of winning. Fresno's battery will be especially strong with Chance behind the bat and Baker as pitcher. Baker is a star in the art and Frank Chance ranks among the best catchers in the calley. It is the intention to have a return game between the two teams in this city in the near future.

The following constitute's Fresno's crack team: Catcher, Chance; pitcher, Baker; shortstop, Benas; first base, Peter Donahoo; second, Homan; third, Waggoner; left field, Bert Hayes; center, Bermie Gilbert; right, Bert Cardwell.

HOXIE VS. VINCENT.

A Decision Regarded Favorable to the Plaintiff.

Judge Webb yesterday refused to grant a permanent injunction and dissolved the temporary injunction in the suit of George L. Hoxie, county surveyor, against J. P. Vincent, assessor. The suit was brought by Hoxie to ascertain whether he or Vincent should make certain books used in the assessor's office.

On the face of the ruling it would appear to favor the assessor, but in fact it does not do so. The decision was that it is not proper to proceed by enjoining, but to do the work and present a bill for it. If payment is then refused, the next step would be to sue for the money.

POSTMASTER HEDRICK.

He Takes a Quiet Departure for the South.

Postmaster W. L. Hedrick is among the missing. Whither he went no one knew. His smiling countenance was missed from the postoffice last evening and naturally inquiry was instituted.

A REPUBLICAN reporter set upon the trail and after considerable difficulty learned that the postmaster had quietly departed on the evening south bound train. He will go as far as Tehachapi and will return to Fresno in a few days —a benedict.

The prospective bride is Miss Dull who formerly resided in this city.

F. G. BERRY IN CHARGE.

Wright & Bowler Retire From the Grand Central Management.

Beginning this morning Fulton G. Berry will be in charge of the Grand Central hotel. He has purchased the lease and fixtures from Wright & Bowler, who will retire.

Mr. Berry is not a new hand at the business, as he was in charge of the Grand Central in the palmy days, when not only beds were worth money, but when chairs in the lobby could be sold for good prices to weary capitalists who wanted to sleep.

WOY'S HOUSE BURGLARIZED

The Thief Seemed to Understand His Business.

From Saturday's Daily.

A burglar last evening, between 8 and 9 o'clock, effected an entrance to the residence of City Marshal Woy on J street, and did a large amount of rummaging, but it is believed he secured but little plunder.

No one was at home, and the burglar entered either by the front window or the rear door, both of which were open. The window was propped with a large new screw driver which the thief had brought with him and forgot to take away. The back door was wide open.

Trunks, boxes, drawers and shelves were pillaged. A purse with a few dollars belonging to Miss Cora Trowbridge was taken, and that was all that was missed. A set of drawers were partly gone through, but the one containing Mrs. Woy's watch and purse was not opened. It is believed the thief was frightened away before he had finished the burglary. He left a burning lamp on the refrigerator. A package of Miss Trowbridge's letter were taken from her trunk to a table in the center of the room and torn to pieces.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

A Burglar Breaks H. C. Warner's Show Window.

Yesterday morning shortly after 4 o'clock August Briton threw a rock through the show window in H. C. Warner's jewelry store on J street for the purpose of robbery. Policeman George Matheson and Special Smith were promptly on hand, and soon had the thief behind the bars.

The officers had just met at the Grand Central corner in their rounds, when they heard the crash of the broken window. They ran across the street and were upon the robber before he was aware of their presence. Matheson took him to jail while Smith went for Mr. Warner. When asked what he broke the window for, the prisoner answered that he wanted to get the silverware which was displayed. There was about $200 worth of silverware in the window.

The burglar is a stranger in town, and Matheson had watched him all night. He was acting very suspiciously. He had been absent about an hour, and upon being asked by Officer Matheson after he was captured where he had been, he replied that he had walked out to the oil tanks to get the rock.

SAYS HE IS INSANE.

Mrs. J. O'Mara Charges Her Husband With Being Crazy.

The Madera *Mercury* of Saturday says that Mrs. Mary O'Mara, who lives at Berenda, has sworn to a complaint charging her husband, John O'Mara, with insanity. She stated that he chased her with a cleaver and had it not been for a hired man, would have cut her in pieces. She also stated that he had broken nearly all the crockery in the house in one of his insane fits and had thrown things at the children. Nearly all the windows in the house had been broked by him. Deputy Sheriff McComber went to the O'Mara place to arrest him, but could not find him. The children at the house stated that their father had saddled one of his horses and taking a few loaves of bread with him left the place shortly after Mrs. O'Mara departed for Madera. Before he left he made his children goodbye and told them they would not see him again.

For some time O'Mara has been having crazy streaks, but of late he has become very violent and his wife and family are afraid that he might kill them while one of his moods is upon him.

WON BY BARNUM.

The Suit of C. C. Merriam for His Salary.

In Judge Webb's court yesterday a demurrer was sustained which virtually decides the suit brought by C. C. Merriam against Auditor Barnum for salary as attorney for the Board of Supervisors.

Soon after the court house was burned the Board of Supervisors hired Mr. Merriam as special counsel to advise them on points of law during the adjustment of the insurance and while the court house is being reconstructed. His salary was fixed at $125 per month. District Attorney Snow protested against this action, and claimed that he was able and willing to give the board such legal advice as they should need. Thereupon Auditor Barnum refused to issue a warrant for Mr. Merriam's salary. Suit was brought against the auditor, and Judge Webb ruled against Mr. Merriam, who is out three months' salary.

PERSONAL.

Frank Dusy, Jr., of Selma is in town.

Constable Adams is over from Mendota.

N. Levy has returned from San Francisco.

J. J. Poston was up from Sanger yesterday.

S. S. Reynolds of Fowler is in the county seat.

William Beckman returned to Sacramento this morning.

J. T. Sullivan of the Sea Beach hotel, Santa Cruz, is in this city.

T. G. Hart and John C. Nourse took this morning's train for the bay city.

A. A. Smith of Kingsburg was among the visitors in the county seat yesterday.

A WHEELMAN'S ANNEX.

An Addition to the Fresno Athletic Club.

The wheelmen have organized an annex to the Fresno Athletic Club with a membership of thirty-nine. Russ Waldenberg was elected captain, T. F. Porter first lieutenant and B. F. Hecox second lieutenant.

A run was ordered for Sunday at 9.30 o'clock a.m., starting at the club rooms on J street. The public is cordially invited to attend.

A meeting will be held at the club rooms next Monday to transact important business. Members of the club owning wheels are requested to be present.

SUIT FOR INSURANCE MONEY.

Mrs. Catherine N. Harvey is Plaintiff in the Action.

Action was commenced yesterday in the superior court by Mrs. Catherine N. Harvey, wife of William Harvey, to collect $2500 from the Union Central Life Insurance Company. The plaintiff is represented by L. L. Cory.

Mrs. Harvey is the aunt and adopted mother of Robert Harvey, who was drowned in Ventura county last fall. His life was insured for $2500 and the company has refused to pay it.

Fire Department Drill.

The hook and ladder company and engine company No. 1 will drill on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Owing to the scarcity of fires of late, it has been deemed best to call the boys out for a drill. Particular attention will be paid to working the new hook and ladder truck with which the firemen have as yet not become thoroughly familiar.

M. Bilby and William Foster yesterday filed a petition in the superior court for letters of administration on the estate of Sarah A. Foster, deceased.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

A Few Remarks About the Athletic Club.

A BRIEF EPITAPH FOR THE PUP

A Desperately Bad Burglar man. Two Cravens and How They Acted Their Part.

From Sunday's Daily.

I am very glad to note the indications that the Fresno Athletic Club may hope for a successful future. President Sherwood has taken hold of its affairs with a vim and energy which are full of good promise. At the very time when a skillful guiding hand was most needed that hand has been found, and I, for one, believe that the brightest days of the club are ahead. This statement of the situation naturally leads to a few remarks which, for some time past, I have been intending to make.

When the clerical contortionist, Rev. Edwards Davis, exhibited himself in Athletic hall not long ago, it came to my knowledge that several very good people expressed shocked surprise that a clergyman should lecture in such a place. When I say they were very good people, I mean exactly what I say, I no more question the excellence of their motive than I question that I am sitting here and writing at this moment. But having paid this tribute to their good intent, I am constrained to take exception to their judgment.

Good people, if you will not give your indorsement to the places where young life may decently find the games and amusements in which by the law of its being it delights—and if none were wiser than you—you must not think it strange if the young men and boys seek those amusements in places where the surroundings are to their injury. As surely as young blood is young blood, they will do it. This is the mistake that too many of the godly make. They surrender the most attractive amusements to his Satanic majesty, and when the young men flock where the amusements are found, they hold up their hands in holy horror. They set at defiance the law of our being, and then wonder that their defiance is overruled. Like the old king, they bid the ocean of human life to come no further, and when the tide still rolls in they are astounded. They mean well, but they are not wise.

A young man, or an older one, may go to the Athletic Club's rooms, and there he may exercise on the bars, or in the rings, or in a score of other ways. He may indulge in a game of billiards or a game of cards, but he cannot gamble, nor can he use profane or vile language without violating the club's laws. Play billiards and cards four-fifths of the boys will, and these games are intrinsically harmless. The question, then, would seem to be: Shall the boys play them where the surroundings are harmless or in saloons? There should be but one answer to that question.

Good people, there are few institutions in any town that stand as often between young men and evil influences as a properly conducted athletic club. You would better lend your influence to help make the Fresno club of such a character. The boys are vastly better off there than they would be in a saloon.

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City Marshal Woy's residence was burglarized on Thursday evening.

Oh, burly, burgly burglar man; you wicked,
Bursting guns,
Give heed unto my woeful wail: Don't treat
the marshal thus.
Give heed unto my woeful wail and to my wailful woe;
Don't burgle in the marshal's house and hurt
his feelings so,
For the law is quite majestic, and the marshal
is its hand
And your rude familiarity I cannot understand.
You really should be blighted, thinking of your
shocking sin,
When you burgled in the marshal's house to
get the marshal's tin.

Oh, burly, burgly burglar man and burgly
burglar, too,
You'll wish to heaven you were dead if e'er he
captures you:
For if you dare to monkey with the stern, majestic law,
You need not be surprised, you know, to get it
in the jaw.
Oh, Justice feels the dire affront, and Equity doth shriek;
And Lex will not get over it for more than half
a week,
To think a burgly burglar dares to pester and
annoy
The majesty of mighty law by burgling Marshal Woy.

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Last Friday evening there approached I street, on Tulare, a horse and buggy, the latter carrying two men. At the same time there approached Tulare street, on I, a man on a bicycle. They met. I do not say whose was the fault, for I do not know, but they met and the buggy ran over the man and his wheel. The man was quite badly bruised, and his machine was seriously injured. I have said that the persons in the buggy were men. I take it back. They were not. The next thing they did after running over the wheelman proved that they were mere apologies for men. As soon as they saw what they had done they whipped up their horse and drove rapidly away, leaving their victim dazed and bleeding, unknowing and unaware how badly he might be injured. That I called these fellows men, I apologize to all men. The person who will by any accident injure another and then run away from any responsibility there may be, is a craven and a slink. I wish I knew the names of these fellows.

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There is a young fellow staying at a leading hotel in Fresno who talks with a doused accent, y' know, that is different from the language used by the bloomin', blarsted Yankees, y' know. He is one of these fellows with manve colored side whiskers and his conversation comes in large checks. He has been here but a few weeks, but, as is the manner of his kind, he is up to his neck in the swim.

The other night he was at a party, and was called to the telephone. He talked Cockney English to the distressed telephone for several minutes, much to the amusement of some of his auditors at the party. Then a young man interrupted him to ask a question, and the following conversation ensued:

"Are you an Englishman?"

"No, Hi'm an Hamerican."

"Then what makes you talk in that language?"

"Well, my friend at the hother hend of the line his an Hinglishman, don't ye know. Hi'm talking for 'im, y' know."

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A well dressed woman brought a death notice to the REPUBLICAN day before yesterday. It appeared in the paper yesterday morning, and read as follows:

DIED.

CHOW—In Fresno, January 10, 1896, of influenza, Chow, a native of Hong Kong, aged 1 year

The bookkeeper took the notice, calculated that Chow was a Chinese baby and that the woman was a missionary, looked sad and respectful and shed a sympathetic tear (he is very sympathetic, is the bookkeeper) as he told the woman, in response to a question, that it costs nothing to publish a death notice. The notice appeared, as heretofore stated, and yesterday the woman came in to secure some copies of the paper. She said she wanted to send them to her friends so that they would know that poor little Chow, her dear little doggie for whose untimely departure she had wept, was dead. The bookkeeper was too nearly palsied to say much then, but after the woman was gone he made some remarks which will dry into salty nothingness the tears he shed the day before if the warm words overtake the drops anywhere in the corridors of time. I do not know whether the joke is on the REPUBLICAN, the bookkeeper, the woman or the dog, but it is on somebody.

And now, dear madam, as you had published in this paper the death notice of your pup for whom scalding tears have dripped, you will be pleased to have me furnish an epitaph also, which you may have engraved on its tombstone if you desire. The REPUBLICAN will do nothing by halves. Here is the epitaph:

Here lieth Chow, who yapped and yapped
Till all the neighbors cussed him,
The while his mistress, jolly rapt,
Crooked over him and mussed him.
He was her darling and her pride.
With cake and stuff she lined him
Until the whiffet up and died
And left a fool behind him.

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The high school senate has decided that the steam engine has done more for civilization than the printing press. Thus do we newspaper men have our feelings hurt right along, but we are getting used to it now. Suppose, now, that the press were run by a gas engine instead of a steam engine (as the REPUBLICAN'S is), would that make any dif—But, no; we are not on, anyway.

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It appears that he is not such a Goodfellow, after all.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN.

DISPLAY OF PICTURES

EXHIBIT BY PROFESSOR BAUER AND PUPILS.

Clever Work Which Shows Excellent Taste and Careful Execution.

From Sunday's Daily.

Lovers of art in this city have had an opportunity during the past two days of seeing some of the fine paintings of F. A. Bauer, as well as the work of his pupils. The exhibition was given at the artist's studio in the Griffith building, and during the two days the rooms were thronged with visitors in response to invitations sent out. It was conclusive evidence that Fresno is appreciative of art.

The exhibition was given by Mr. Bauer, assisted by Mrs. Grace Chittenden Hudson, Mrs. W. B. Holland and Miss Adelia Witt.

Mr. Bauer's delineation of figures and facial expressions is particularly fine. This is the most difficult of all painting, and he has shown a talent by no means common. His landscape painting is also good.

He has a number of enthusiastic pupils, some of whom are developing promising talent. A scene in Switzerland, modeled after a sketch in black and white, showed excellent ability on the part of Miss Daisy Walker, who painted it. A thunderstorm and a snow scene, the work of Mrs. Grace Hudson, were good. Miss Adelia Witt's painting, a waterfall in a Scotch stream, showed clever execution. Though quite small, the painting is a gem.

Many people will be surprised to learn that Ed Schwarz is an artist of skill. He had two paintings on exhibition. Drawings by Misses Irene and Violet Patterson and Miss Alma Higgins were much appreciated. Miss Beatty had some good work on exhibition.

Among the several works by Mr. Bauer was the scene of "Faust and Mephistophiles." Mephistophiles is drawing the blood from his arm to sign his agreement with Faust to promise for every wish of the latter, who promises the return of youth to Mephistophiles. The expressions of the faces is very suggestively brought out by the artist. "The Miser," and "The Conference of the Priests," are also commendable pieces of work.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Adopted by the Oleander Lodge of I. O. G. T.

Death has again laid its hands upon our little circle and summoned from our midst our beloved sister, Carrie Belle Galloway. Although not unexpected to her or to us, the blow came as a sudden and irreparable loss, and to express, though inadequately, our sorrow and sympathy, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Carrie Galloway, our order has lost an exemplary member, one who was ever ready to uphold the principles of the order.

Resolved, That the community has sustained a loss that no words can express, as the gentle and charitable disposition of our sister endeared her to all.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to the bereaved parents and relatives of deceased.

Resolved, That, as a tribute to the memory of our departed sister, our lodge rooms be draped in mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the lodge, printed in the daily papers of Fresno, a copy sent to the Rescue, and a copy given to the family of deceased.

J. M. SINCLAIR,
ETHEL BURKLAND,
R. L. GRAUNA,
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM.

A Tribute to the Memory of Miss Dora Cook.

On Sunday morning, January 5, 1896, at her home in this city, occurred the death of Miss Dora Cook, late of Hanford. She leaves a mother, two brothers and two sisters to mourn her loss. Miss Cook was talented and a bright business woman. Her death has cast a shade of sadness over her immediate family and friends, but they may feel the assurance that in this, their hour of grief, they have the sympathy and condolence of all who knew her. Although taken away in the bloom of youth, the memory of her whom we have known in health and beauty will remain with us as long as life shall last. Her remains were taken to Hanford for interment, accompanied by her sorrowing mother, brother and dear friends.

Bravely and well was her life work done,
Her young life was sheltered from sin;
Bright angels held open the great pearly gates,
Dear Dora, our loved one, went in.

A FRIEND.

Fresno, Cal., January 11, 1896.

DeWitt Gray Writes a Satire.

DeWitt H. Gray, son of John D. Gray of this city, has a full page illustrated poem in the San Francisco *Wasp* for Christmas. It is in the nature of satire, modeled to some extent, at least in versification, after Pope. The poem is such as catches the eye of society and has several clever hits. Mr. Gray is well known in Fresno. He is now studying law in Governor Budd's office. There is a playful turn to his style of verse which is pleasing.

Court Notes.

The following matters were disposed of in department 1 of the superior court yesterday:

BEFORE JUDGE RISLEY, DEPARTMENT 1.

Fred Banta vs. Arnold Wink et al.; order to take depositions is set aside.

Southern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Summit Lake Water Company; judgment as prayed for.

NEW OVERLAND ROAD

It Will Enter the San Joaquin Valley.

DENVER AND RIO GRANDE COMING

The Outline of the Plans—The Engineering Corps Are in the Field.

From Sunday's Daily.

If what appear to be well-founded rumors are true, the Valley road is to have connection with a branch of the Denver and Rio Grand railway, and by that route connect with the East. The Los Angeles *Records* publishes the following:

The object of connecting Southern California with the East by means of a railroad which would open up the vast mineral deposits of Southeastern Nevada and Southwestern Utah, in addition to giving a more direct trunk line to the Atlantic seaboard and a consequent saving in transit of both time and expense, has, until recently, been kept very much in evidence before the residents of Los Angeles. Of late, however, the matter has apparently been allowed to drop, and although it is known that the Southern Pacific, the Santa Fe and the Terminal roads have each several corps of engineers in the field, it has not been surmised that a new factor had entered that field, with a most favorable prospect of solving the problem and carrying off the prize, while the three above mentioned roads are watching each other.

The owners of the Denver and Rio Grande system have been saying nothing, but most industriously sawing wood for the past six months. Enormous quantities of steel rails have been ordered from the Illinois Steel company. The rails have been stacked up along the line of this road at all its junctions in Utah, and are now ready for use at a moment's notice. When the fact is taken into consideration that, notwithstanding the recent financial depression, the Rio Grande has kept its line of road in the pink of condition, it is evident that this tremendous supply of extra rails must be held in reserve for a contemplated extension.

The ground for this extension will be broken very shortly and when work is commenced it will be a revelation. It will mean the connection of the San Joaquin Valley road at Fresno, and also the city of Los Angeles, with the Rio Grande system and a through trunk line East established in direct competition with the Southern Pacific. President Dodge of the Denver and Rio Grande road and the capitalists back of the enterprise have had for two months past two corps at a monthly expense of $10,000, one engineer alone receiving $60 a day for his services.

The route of the line will be as follows: The Rio Grande Western enters Utah from Colorado on the eastern side and after penetrating to about the center of that state, turns north toward Salt Lake city. Just before it takes its northerly direction, at Pleasant Valley Junction, the beginning of the contemplated division toward Southern California will commence. The road from the junction is already built and runs southwest to Marysville. From here it will be constructed directly west over the border into Nevada to Pioche, thence south to Gold Hill. After a slight detour to take in the Yellow Pine district, the road will continue to Vanderbilt, and there connecting with the Nevada Southern, make connections at Blake with the Atlantic and Pacific division of the Santa Fe system, and so gain entrance to Los Angeles. This part of the road will be used at first, but the real line will, after leaving Gold Hill, take a southeasterly direction, cross the Colorado river above the Needles and tap the rich Verdi copper district in Arizona. From there, after connecting with the Phoenix, Prescott and Santa Fe road, it will turn west again, cross the Colorado river into California and after skirting the northern boundary of the Colorado desert, gain entrance to Southern California and Los Angeles through the San Jacinto Pass. The section connecting the San Joaquin Valley road with the Denver and Rio Grande will be built from Fresno. It will run south and east of Lake Tulare on the Beal's ranch and by means of the only true pass in the mountains south of Mt. Whitney gain the Mojave desert. From the point where it enters the desert two lines are at present under consideration, one directly east to Pioche and the other southeast to Barstow. The general evenness of the route is shown by the estimated cost of the road, which is only $12,000 a mile.

This project is being rapidly pushed forward, and ground will be broken within the next sixty days. The road will be a direct connection with and under the control of the Denver and Rio Grande system, which really means an extension of the Rock Island route.

FIFTY THOUSAND MORE.

The Farmers Bank Will Subscribe For Bonds.

If President Cleveland calls for a domestic loan, Fresno will not be slow to take its pro rata share of the bonds. A few days ago the First National bank announced that it would take $25,000, or perhaps $50,000, and yesterday a meeting of the directors of the Farmers bank was held to consider the proposition of subscribing for bonds. It was decided to take $50,000 worth, and John Reichman, the cashier, telegraphed to that effect to the New York *World* which had requested the banks to subscribe.

If each county in California subscribes as liberally as Fresno, one-twentieth of the loan will be taken up by California alone.

A Sensible Suggestion.

From the Sacramento Bee.

If, therefore, the government of the United States proposes to refund the debt of the Pacific railroads, it should take advantage of its leniency to these roads to force them to be in turn lenient with the people. In other words, having forgiven their sins and furnished them with the absolution of a new lease of life, it should compel the roads to show some signs of gratitude for rehabilitation at the hands of the government. In fine, it should be made a sine qua non of that refunding measure that the roads—in consideration of such a generous extension of time on the part of the government and the practical wiping out of a part of the debt—should materially reduce their fixed charges. If a refunding measure is to be passed, let the benefit and the profit thereof go to the people, and not to the railroad companies.

Utah's Unique Constitution.

From the Riverside Press.

Utah starts out with a constitution differing in several important points from those of other states. For instance, it provides that juries shall consist of eight men instead of twelve, and that in civil cases three-fourths of the number may render a verdict. Another provision is to the effect that the state shall never go into debt exceeding $200,000, except in case of insurrection; and another guarantees to every citizen the right to obtain employment whenever possible, and makes any interference with this right a crime. Women are granted equal suffrage in the new state.

A FINE DISPLAY

Made by the Rembrandt Studio on The Postoffice Building.

From Sunday's Daily.

Photographer Higgins, of the Rembrandt studio, has changed his display of pictures on the postoffice building, on J street, and the new display is attracting much attention. This is particularly the case as many of the pictures are of exhibits in the recent citrus fair. Some of the views were taken in the evening by flashlight, and not only these, but the ones taken by daylight as well, are as artistically perfect as is all of the work which comes from the Rembrandt studio. They give an absolutely accurate idea of the citrus fair exhibits.

The display, however, is not confined to the citrus fair. Pictures of residences and of pastoral scenes are also exhibited. A view of a flock of sheep by the side of a body of water is particularly good and attracts much attention. A large photograph of one of Fresno's fine vine

TO FINISH THE WORK

Goodfellows' Bondsmen Notified by the Trustees.

A CHANGE IN THE CONTRACTOR

Work on Section Four of the Sewer to be Resumed Forthwith.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The city trustees met in special session last night, to consider the action to be taken on the unfinished sewer contract, section 4, abandoned by Contractor Charles Goodfellow. The full board was present, Mayor Craycroft presiding. The body of the hall was filled with laborers awaiting the issue of the discussion.

The following report from the city engineer was read:

"To the Honorable Board of City Trustees, Fresno, Calif., January 1st:

Gentlemen:—In regard to the work now being done on the city sewers I have to report that Charles Goodfellow, the contractor on section 4, has abandoned the work under his contract, and the same requires immediate attention. The said contractor left the city on the 7th instant and failed to execute the work contracted for, or to furnish the material required. He has removed from the work all bricks and other material, and all the tools he had formerly placed there. The work is unfinished, and a portion of the trench is left open and exposed. I respectfully request your honorable body to take some action in the matter as early as possible.

"LOUIS MANUEL, City Engineer."

Immediately on the reading of this report the following resolution was moved by Spinney, seconded by McVey, and unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, The city engineer of this city has reported to this board that Charles Goodfellow, the contractor on section 4 of the sewer system now being completed, has abandoned his contract and has failed to execute the work thereunder, and complete the same, or to furnish material therefor, and

"WHEREAS, It further appears to this board that such contractor has left the city and quit work under said contract; that he has removed from the said work all brick and other building material necessary to complete the same, and all tools, and that the work is unfinished, and the city engineer dissatisfied with the same.

"Now, therefore, the city engineer of this city is hereby ordered and directed to employ any other person or persons to proceed with the work previously being done by said contractor and complete same, and to charge the sums paid such persons as so much money paid to the contractor after giving three days' notice in writing of his intention to so complete said work by serving notice on the contractor or his agent or foremen on the work."

The foremen at once signed acceptance of the notice, and the men will doubtless go to work today. The notice to the contractor or his agent is virtually a notice to the bondsmen.

Spinney asked who would have to pay for the watchman now engaged night and day on the abandoned sewer. The city attorney thought there was enough money in the sewer fund to pay for these. Inspectors are paid by the city out of this fund.

Spinney thought as the watchmen were necessitated by the action of the contractor they ought to be paid out of the money due him and not out of the city fund. He also thought the sewer ought to be tested before being accepted, by being filled with water, as there might be errors in the grade, and he made a motion to that effect which was carried.

Attorney Gallagher asked the board to be careful in distributing the money due on a pro rata basis, so that the interests of all creditors might be protected.

Spinney said it was the desire of the board to see that all to whom Goodfellow was indebted got their money.

City Attorney Moultrie called attention to the fact that the suit of the Fresno Milling Company against the city for filling up the mill ditch on Fresno street is about to come up for trial, and stated that the records in the case were probably destroyed in the court house fire. Stenographer Gearhart has, however, notes which would be of great value, and a transcript of which can be obtained for $30. On motion of Spinney Mr. Moultrie was instructed to incur the expense named. The board then adjourned.

KINGSBURG LETTER.

A Busy Town and the Doings of its Busy People.

Miss Jennie Darling has returned after an absence of two weeks spent at her old home, and has resumed her duties as principal of Canal school.

Mrs. W. W. Ward has been spending several weeks at Mendota with her sister, Mrs. Looney.

James Hunt is dangerously ill with pneumonia, and his friends entertain doubts of his recovery. Mr. Hunt is very well known at this place, and is receiving all possible attention.

A few days ago Ed Van Buren's son Roscoe was dangerously burned about his shoulders and chest by the overturning of a large kettle of boiling water. Several children were playing near the fire, when the support of the kettle gave way and the contents were precipitated pon Roscoe.

During the replacement of new and sound timbers under the railway company's water tank the tank slipped and fell, and narrowly missed killing the two carpenters who were at work.

Professor Ramsey of the Fresno business college and normal institute, accompanied by Robert Sronce, was visiting in our burg a few days since en route to Hanford in the interests of the college.

Frank and Henry Rosendahl have rented the ranch two miles from town known as the Harp place. The ranch is large, the trees and vines are old and the boys are hustlers, so the outcome will certainly justify their most sanguine expectations.

The enthusiasm concerning the proposed creamery has in no way abated and the prospect of a well established butter manufactory is about to become a certainty.

Here is an ode to the four who rang the New Year bell:

Fast up the school house path their hurrying footsteps led.
The frost was white beneath their feet, the stars shone over head.
As on, and on they hurried still, intent on but one thing,
And that—that each the New Year's bell might ring.
She tolled the Old Year out, he rang the New Year in
With tones that echoed o'er the land "Of peace, good will to men,"
And then they turned their faces home, with thoughts of fun to come
In pulling candy while the time piece sweetly murmured "won!"

SPECTATOR.

Mendelssohn Society.

The next rehearsal will be held on Wednesday evening, instead of Tuesday, at Einstein hall, I street, opposite Hughes hotel. The orchestra will be present punctually at 8 o'clock. Every member of the chorus is requested to attend. This is absolutely necessary, as there are only about three weeks left for work before the concert. Remember the change of place of meeting and be present at 8 o'clock sharp.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO ACT

Upon the Suggestion Made by the "Republican."

From the San Francisco Call.

The Fresno REPUBLICAN calls attention to the fact that while San Francisco is making a fight against the influence of the aided railroads in congress to secure the passage of a funding bill, the people of the interior are content to applaud the effort and rest at that. "Our inactivity," says our contemporary, "is the more surprising because we so expressly recognize the importance to the coast of a right decision of the matter, such a decision as will not be secured by the lobbyists of C. P. Huntington. If our bondage to the Pacific roads is renewed some part of the blame will attach to ourselves."

This article was published before the call of mayors to appoint delegates from all the cities and towns of the state to a meeting in San Francisco for the purpose of drafting a memorial to congress praying that the railroad debt be not funded or otherwise extended. The scope of this call has been very properly widened to include the chairmen of the Boards of Supervisors throughout the state, so that the two main interests at stake—the business men and consumers of the cities and towns as represented by municipal boards and the producers by the Boards of Supervisors—will have an opportunity to express themselves and present a petition which congress cannot ignore.

Hence, the interior of the state will now have an opportunity to act upon this suggestion contained in the REPUBLICAN'S editorial: "If the San Francisco organization which is attempting to combat a funding bill will practically and directly appeal to the interior of the state for moral and financial assistance it will receive it. The wisdom of such a course must be manifest to anybody. * * * California should be as united in action in this matter as it is in feeling. Congress should not be permitted to flatter itself that San Francisco is alone in opposition to any funding bill that may be devised."

The convention is to be held next Saturday at Metropolitan hall in this city. It will be one of the most important assemblages of representative citizens of California ever brought together under one roof. It will be a struggle for life, and every patriotic resident of the state and every citizen who has the intelligence to know that his own welfare is at stake will lend his strongest financial and moral support to its success.

THE SUPERVISORS.

THE ARMSTRONG AND DE GUERRE WARRANT UNPAID.

An Application for a Gardener's Job Gets a Warm Reception.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Chairman Wickersham of the Board of Supervisors was back in his old place when the January session was resumed yesterday afternoon. In the absence of Clerk Johnson, through sickness, E. E. Bush recorded the proceedings.

N. P. Justy made application for a deed to a piece of county land sold to lodge 138, Knights of Pythias, in 1892, for cemetery purposes. The matter was referred to the District Attorney.

W. J. Hutchinson asked for immediate consideration of a small bill against the county, but was told the account would have to take its turn with others.

Judge E. W. Risley applied for an order for the return of overpaid taxes on personal property, $25 and $24.17, or $49.17. He was told the matter would receive attention in due course.

City Recorder A. M. Clark asked leave to explain some items in his December bill of $112 under the laws of 1895. He was given a hearing, and was told the account would be attended to in regular order.

Deputy County Treasurer P. C. Jurgens said he had been given instructions by the District Attorney not to pay the bill of Armstrong & Deguerre, which the board had recently recommended should be paid, subject to a reduction of $54. He added that the firm had threatened mandamus proceedings against the county treasurer.

Wickersham said the board had nothing to do with the matter, and Letcher concurred. Sayer said that as he understood it the board originally ordered payment of the amount $1899. The warrant was issued and sold to the First National bank. Subsequently the district attorney notified the county treasurer not to pay the warrant. Then this board went over the books with an expert and recommended payment of the warrant on the firm of Armstrong & De Guerrie's refunding $54 to the county. That is the case as it stands now. The applicant was told that it was for the county treasurer to find out what his duty is in the premises.

About the worst setback a confident applicant has received from the board for a long time was experienced by Craig Ashurst, after the above business had been transacted. Mr. Ashurst has been an inmate of the county hospital, and it recently occurred to him that he ought to get something more out of the county than board and lodging. So he penned an application for the position of gardener at $40 a month, adding that his ability could be well attested and that he had held good positions.

Mr. Ashurst scarcely realized what was in store for him when Wickersham expressed gratification at the discovery of the applicant's ability as a gardener.

"Of course," said the chairman, "I should be very much opposed to giving anybody $40 a month as gardener."

The applicant's face fell rapidly and he evidently began to see that the letter was an awkward mistake especially that part setting forth his ability and demanding a salary.

"It appears to me, Mr. Chairman," said Letcher rising, "that the county has been imposed upon in this case. Here is an inmate of the county hospital who is on his own showing an able-bodied man entitled to a salary of $40 a month. I move that the steward be instructed to discharge him at once."

Sayre seconded the motion. Rose and Garrett voted no.

The applicant left the room with a look of unutterable disgust. He will doubtless be readmitted to the hospital in a day or two, but it will be a lesson.

Adjudged Insane.

George Severance was yesterday examined before Judge Webb on a charge of insanity. Dr. Aiken and Dr. Russell were medical experts. Severance was brought up from Selma a few days ago, where he had acted strangely. He had a party arrested near Wildflower on what is supposed to be an imaginary offense. Severance was ordered sent to the Stockton asylum.

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BUSINESS OUTLOOK ON THIS COAST.

Notes of Trade and Commerce—Better Conditions Are Looked for Soon.

The output of citrus fruit shows a large gain. First of all in importance among the horticultural products is the sun-kissed orange. While the returns of the season of 94-95 were financially disappointing much missionary work was done on the Atlantic coast, and the extension of our market will prove of value to the crop of 95-96, the marketing of which has opened so auspiciously. The year netted fine returns to the lemon grower from his investment. The supply was unequal to the demands, and the market set steadily in favor of the seller.

The deciduous fruit horticulturist has not fared any too well. Prices for dried fruit have ruled low, and the market has been full of surprises to the most knowing ones.

Quite an impetus was given to the wine industry, due to the reduced freight rates and the organization of the wine makers to advance and sustain values. Every winery ran its full capacity. Many built additional storing facilities.

Prices for the raisin pack averaged a trifle higher than last year but still business was transacted with a loss to the grower.

The year was an off year for the olives. In spite of the increased acreage the crop falls considerably below that of the previous year.

Prices for farm products have not been satisfactory. Warehouses report large holdings of barley and beans and farmers and jobbers generally are holding for higher values, which they will certainly realize if the rain continues to hold off.

The sugar output was the largest yet recorded.

The dairying business has made good progress and new creameries have opened up in a number of districts.

The bee men report a year above the average in prosperity.

Most of the counties of the district have good transportation facilities for the easy marketing of products and these are to be increased. Considerable railroad building is projected for '96 and $3,000,000 construction work is already in sight.

In few localities the decision of Judge Ross has had a depressing effect, but in the main southern California is today full of activity, progress and promise.

Collections, which measure property pretty accurately, have been generally pretty fair, and the last few months very good. This, too, before the good effects of the orange shipments begin to be felt as they will be from now on.

The money market at the close of the year has been tight, influenced by the disturbances in the eastern financial world. Bankers say that the middle of January will find an easier market and probable lower rates.

A new industry of the year, canaigre culture, has awakened much interest both in Arizona and Southern California, as its lucrative production would call for the establishment of leather manufactories to utilize the product.

SURRENDERED HIMSELF.

Indian George Tells How He Killed a Tribesman.

A young Indian named George appeared at the jail yesterday and surrendered himself. He could not speak English, but D. P. Blunt came with him and explained that the Indian had shot a tribesman named John a week ago on Sycamore creek, and wanted the law to take its course. Through Mr. Blunt as an interpreter, George told the following story:

"We were all drunk, and three Indians pitched into me and nearly pounded me to death. My father got his gun and made them quit. They let me go and turned on him. One was choking him and another was cutting him with a knife. I picked up the gun and aimed to shoot through the arm of the one who was choking my father. The bullet killed him. I first intended to run off, but Mr. Blunt told me I ought to come to Fresno and see the sheriff about it, and I came down with him."

Postmaster Hedrick of this city and Miss Kate S. Dull, daughter of Judge Dull of Tehachapi, were married Sunday evening in that town. Miss Dull was one of Kern county's most successful teachers.

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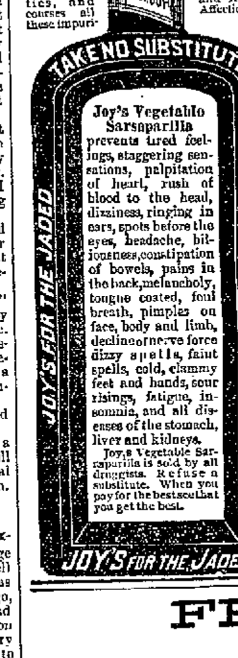

A MATRIMONIAL MISTAKE.

It Induces N. W. Bostick to Leave the City.

From Tuesday's Daily.

N. W. Bostick, lately connected with the California meat market on Fresno street, has left the city. The following letter which he addressed to his wife will explain in a concise way the causes which led to his departure:

"DEAR ANNEBELLE:—With much thought and deliberation I have decided that we made a mistake in getting married, so I decided that the best thing for you and me would be for me to depart, and I think both you and I will be better off.

"Do not blame anyone but me for this, as I had firmly made up my mind as to what course to pursue before I said a word to anyone. So hoping I am right in my conclusions, I bid thee farewell. N. W. BOSTICK."

Getting in to Hanford.

From the Hanford Democrat.

The Valley railroad committee of Hanford yesterday received from Chief Engineer Story a map on which is definitely located the route of the road as it is to be constructed between Kings river and the southern boundary line of the city of Hanford. The road will cross Kings river about half a mile above old Kingston, pass along the east line of the Lucerne vineyard, and enter Hanford along Thornton street. The depot will likely be located on block 138. The road asks for two blocks of the Biddle land, and thirty-six lots, besides other property, will have to be purchased along Thornton street. Mr. Storey says blank deeds will be forwarded for signature in a few days, and he asks the committee to secure the desired property at once.

Lost an Eye.

While working in a blacksmith shop at Clovis last Friday, Al Sunderland was struck in the eye by a piece of metal which had broken under the blows of a hammer. The eye was injured to such a degree that he came to Fresno yesterday and had it removed.

Peter Anson, a vagrant, was sent to jail for sixty days by Recorder Clark yesterday.

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Order to Show Cause.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

In the matter of the estate of Spicy Ann Fanning, deceased.

J. N. FANNING, THE ADMINISTRATOR OF the estate of Spicy Ann Fanning, deceased, after duly filing his petition herein, duly certified, praying for an order of sale of the real estate of said deceased, for the purposes therein set forth.

It is therefore ordered by the judge of said court that all persons interested in said estate of said deceased, appear before the said Superior court on Saturday the 25th day of January, 1896, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the court room of said court, at the Brawley building on I street, of the city of Fresno, county of Fresno, State of California, and show why an order should not be granted to the said administrator to sell so much of the real estate of said deceased, at private sale, as shall be necessary.

That a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the Weekly Republican, a newspaper published in said county.

Dated December 21st, 1895.

J. R. WEBB, Judge of the Superior Court.

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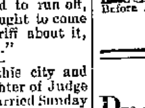

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Assessment Notice.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT A meeting of the Board of Directors of the East Oakland Vineyard and Fruit Company held this day, November 11th, 1895, an assessment No. 5, of $1 per share, was levied upon the outstanding capital stock of this corporation payable immediately in United States gold coin to the secretary of the company at the office of the company, 301 East Twelfth street, Oakland, Cal.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 17th day of December, 1895, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on the 4th day of January, 1896, at 7:30 p.m. to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the Board of Directors.

GEO. H. MASON, Secretary,
Office 301 East Twelfth street, Oakland, Cal
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Assessment Notice.

Del Rio Rey Raisin and Fig Company; office Hotel Metropole, Oakland Cal.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT A meeting of the board of directors held on the 27th day of November, 1895, an assessment of $5 per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable at the company's office, Hotel Metropole, corner of Thirteenth and Jefferson streets, to secretary, A. F. Chamberlain, on or before the 6th day of January 1896.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 7th day of January, 1896, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on the 1st day of February, 1896, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

A. F. CHAMBERLAIN, Secretary.
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Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Spicy Ann Fanning, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED, the administrator of the estate of Spicy Ann Fanning, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator, at the law office of A. M. Drew, in the First National Bank building, Fresno, Cal., the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in the county of Fresno.

Signed, JAMES N. FANNING.
Administrator of the estate of Spicy Ann Fanning, deceased
Dated, Fresno, November 9th, 1895. d6t5w

Notice of Application to Become a Sole Trader.

In the Superior court, county of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the application of Alice R. Hilton, to become a sole trader.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, ALICE R. Hilton, wife of Fred T. Hilton, resident of the city of Fresno, county of Fresno, state of California, intend to make application to the Superior court of the county of Fresno, in the state of California, on Monday the 27th day of January, A.D. 1896, at the opening of court on that day or on such other day to which the hearing may be postponed by the court for a judgment and order of said Superior court, authorizing me to carry on and transact business in my own name and on my own account as a sole trader. The nature of the business I propose to carry on and conduct is that of buying and selling real and personal property, loaning money, renting and leasing land and houses and keeping a lodging and boarding house, all in the city of Fresno, county of Fresno, state of California.

Dated December 23d, 1895.

ALICE R. HILTON.
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Summons.

No. 6827.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The People of the State of California, plaintiff, against Eugenia A. Hooper and John Bangle, assignee of Eugenia A. Hooper, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 3460, all of section 36, t 16 s, r 12 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to Eugenia A. Hooper and John Bangle, assignee of Eugenia A. Hooper, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 3460, all of section 36, t 16 s, r 12 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, California, to-wit:

All of section 36, t 16 s, r 12 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 1,031, dated the 15th day of August, 1890, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[Seal] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6621.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

The people of the state of California, plaintiff, against George T. Taylor, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 3211, the south half of section 36, t 20 s, r 12 e, M.D. Meridian, containing 320 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to George T. Taylor, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 3211, the south half of section 36, t 20 s, r 12 e, M.D. Meridian, containing 320 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff, in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of said defendant in and to the following-described land, situated in Fresno county, Cal., to wit:

South half of section 36, t 20 s, r 12 e, M.D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 9126, dated the 15th day of August, 1884, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

(SEAL.) T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, district attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6836.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

The People of the state of California, plaintiff, against Joseph Budde, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 3452, the south half of section 36, t 20 s, r 14 e, M.D. Meridian, containing 320 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to Joseph Budde, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 3452, the south half of section 36, t 20 s, r 14 e, M.D. Meridian, containing 320 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above-named plaintiff in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, Cal., to-wit:

South half of section 36, t 20 s, r 14 e, M D, Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 11,904, dated the 1st day of March, 1890, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

(SEAL.) T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, district attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6831.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

The People of the state of California, plaintiff, against A. D. Loyd, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2795, all of section 36, t 14 s, r 11 e, M.D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to A. D. Loyd, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2795, all of section 36, t 14 s, r 11 e, M.D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above-named plaintiff in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following-described land, situated in Fresno county, Cal., to-wit:

All of section 36, t 14 s, r 11 e, M.D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 10,578, dated the 27th day of August, 1887, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

(SEAL.) T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, district attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6841.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The People of the State of California, plaintiff, against Erastus M. Hawe, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2545, the north ½ of section 16, t 10 s, r 23 e, also sw¼, w½ of se¼ and lots 1 and 2 of section 36, t 10 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 619 15-100 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of the superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to Erastus M. Hawe, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2545, the north ½ of section 16, t 10 s, r 23 e, also sw¼, w½ of se¼ and lots 1 and 2 of section 36, t 10 s, r 21 e, M D Meridian, containing 619.15 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, California, to-wit:

North ½ of section 16, t 10 s, r 23 e, also sw¼, w½ of se¼ and lots 1 and 2 of section 36, t 10 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 12116, dated the 1st day of December, 1890, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[Seal] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk,
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for plaintiff
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Assessment Notice.

La Pasa Rica Vineyard Company, location of principal place of business, San Francisco, Cal.; location of property, Fresno county, Cal.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT A meeting of the board of directors, held on Monday, December 30th, A. D., 1895, an assessment of $20 per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in United States gold coin, to the secretary, W. F. Forrey, at his office in Fresno city, Fresno county, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on Tuesday, the 4th day of February, A. D. 1896, shall be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on Monday, the 2d day of March, A. D. 1896, at the hour of 1 o'clock of the afternoon of said day, at the office of the company, in the Mills building, San Francisco, state of California, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the board of directors

[SEAL.] W. F. FORREY,
Secretary of The La Pasa Rica Vineyard Company, Fresno, California.
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Summons.

No. 6612.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The people of the State of California, plaintiff, against R. W. Journey, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 3623, the north ½ of section 36, t 11 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 320 acres, defendant.

An action brought in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to R. W. Journey, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 3623, the north ½ of section 36, t 11 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 320 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, California, to wit:

North ½ of section 36, t 11 s, r 21 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 9227, dated the 4th day of October, 1884, and to bar and foreclose all right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[SEAL] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6521.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The People of the State of California, plaintiff, against Mary A. McQuesten, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2550, the ne¼ and sw¼ of section 16, t 11 s, r 25 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 480 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to Mary A. McQuesten, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2550, the ne¼ and sw¼ of section 16, t 11 s, r 25 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 480 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, California, to-wit:

North ½ and sw¼ of section 16, t 11 s, r 25 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 11642 dated the 1st day of August, 1889, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895.

[Seal] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6832.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

The People of the State of California, plaintiff, against Thomas L. Enright, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2912, all of section 16, t 13 s, r 31 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said Superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to Thomas L. Enright, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2912, all of section 16, t 13 s, r 31 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 640 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, California, to-wit:

All of section 16, t 13 s, r 31 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 11105, dated the 31st day of March, 1888, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895

[Seal] T. G. HART, Clerk,
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for plaintiff.
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Summons.

No. 6829.

In the Superior Court of the county of Fresno, State of California.

The People of the State of California, plaintiff, against Charles E. Hatch and W. B. Pratt, assignee of said Charles E. Hatch, delinquent purchaser of the following described state lands: Location No. 2467, the w½ of sw¼ of section 36, t 9 s, r 23 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 80 acres, defendant.

Action brought in the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and the complaint filed in the office of the clerk of said superior court.

The people of the state of California send greeting to Charles E. Hatch, and W. B. Pratt, assignee of Charles E. Hatch, delinquent purchaser of the following lands: Location No. 2467, the w½ of sw¼ of section 36, t 9 s, r 23 e, M. D. Meridian, containing 80 acres, defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served within this county, or, if served elsewhere, within thirty days.

The said action is brought to foreclose all the interest of the said defendant in and to the following described land, situated in Fresno county, California, to-wit.

West ½ of sw¼ of section 36, t 9 s, r 23 e, M. D. Meridian, and to cancel, annul and render void the certificate of purchase issued to defendant for said land, to-wit: Certificate of purchase No. 11924, dated the 29th day of March, 1890, and to bar and foreclose all the right, claim or equity of redemption of said land and certificate of purchase of said defendant, and of all and every person claiming under him subsequently to the execution of said certificate of purchase, either as purchasers, encumbrancers, or otherwise, for ten dollars district attorney's fees, and for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief in the premises as the case may require, and as to the court may seem just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the same complaint, as above required, the said plaintiff will cause your default to be entered, and apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California, this 15th day of October, 1895

[Seal] T. G. HART, Clerk.
By W. R. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk
Alva E. Snow, District Attorney, for plaintiff.
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Order to Show Cause.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

In the matter of the estate of Nathan S. Fanning, deceased.

P. R. FANNING AND E. H. TUCKER, THE EXecutors of the estate of Nathan S. Fanning, deceased, having duly filed their petition herein, duly verified, praying for an order of sale of part of the real estate of said deceased, for the purposes therein set forth, and it is therefore ordered by the judge of said court that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased appear before the said Superior court, on Saturday, the 8th day of February, 1896, at 10 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the court room of said superior court at the Kutner block of the said Fresno county, state of California, and show cause why an order should not be granted to the said executors to sell so much of the real estate of said deceased at public auction as shall be necessary, and that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the Fresno Weekly Republican, a newspaper printed and published in said county.

Dated, January 6th, 1896

STANTON L. CARTER,
Judge of the superior court.

A. M. Drew, attorney for petitioner. j10t4w

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

The Recent Hurried Departures From Fresno.

IN OLD WISCONSIN DOES FOR ME

Some Gentle Words of Expostulation With "Rhoda"—Some Small Shot.

From Thursday's Daily.

If the marriage service could be somewhat changed, it would appear to be more appropriate to Fresno, as things have gone lately. The change would be simple. Instead of agreeing to be man and wife "till death us do part," the couple would contract to trot double "till one of us skips out." Wolcott, Goodfellow, Hall and now Bostick—all have departed within a few weeks without announcing the fact in advance. With the two former departures it is probable that domestic infelicity had nothing to do; with the two latter it is very clear that it did. Change the service, brethren, and let the departing trains continue to carry their sudden passengers.

N. W. Bostick wrote to his wife that he had "decided we made a mistake in getting married." Ah, man, man, if all the people who have done that thing were to "skip out," wouldn't the railroad and steamship companies of the world do a business! Well, I guess so! Seats and aisles and platforms all would be crowded, and the walking would be good enough for lots of people. But fortunately for the world, Mr. Bostick, and for the generations to come, most men and women have the judgment still to travel side by side, though the harness galls.

There is a skeleton in every closet, they say. You and I, who have in some part seen the world, my boy, know that the statement is not absolutely true, but it is more nearly so than we would wish. And here is the saddest part of it all: In nine cases out of ten it is our clumsy or brutish figers that place the skeleton where we must often go and look upon its ghastly outline. "Men are but children of a larger growth," and children are not wise, and so we go on in blind and foolish way, hurting ourselves and crying over the pain which wisdom might have avoided. Never yet did a couple, both of whom were patient and forbearing, drift asunder, and in three cases out of four the patience and forbearance of one alone will finally set infelicity at defiance. As for the fourth case and what should be done with it—I pass. A man cannot play much of a game with three nine-spots and two ten-spots.

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A Democratic paper to be run in the interest of reform in politics and edited by ex-Senator Goucher—now, there is a bill of fare that ought to please the most fastidious. I gladly pay tribute to Mr. Goucher's ability as a political reformer. Several years of his life have been devoted to a careful investigation of the exact places where politics needs reformation the most, and as a result he will be right at home in reforming things political.

Talking seriously, I prophesy two things of the ex-senator's paper, if it is started. First, that its talk of reform will be met with an interrogation point in many a reader's mind, and, second, that the paper will be marked by ability. The Lord did not deny brains to Goucher.

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I went to see In Old Kentuck'. 'Twas pretty as could be.
The way them pickaninnies danced, it was a sight to see,
And when that young girl throwed the bomb and it went off, you know,
My little one she shut her eyes and I just hollered, "Oh!"
And when the race was going on I longed to climb the tree
Along with Colonel and his girl and see what I could see.
But all the time my blamed old heart would keep a-whispering yet:
In Old Wisconsin is the play I'd like to see, you bet.

Of course they don't have chasms much back where Wisconsin is
That lovely girls can swing across in style the books call "biz,"
But just the same the lovely girls is growing there, I know,
(At least, they was when I recall, some twenty years ago.)
And if they don't play jockey much in tights that's like a dream,
They play the deuce with fellers' hearts, and that's a nicer scheme.
And so, you know, all through the play my heart kept whispering still:
I wish In Old Wisconsin was the program on the bill.

And so I guess we viewed it all, each with a smiling face,
But each and all a-dreaming of a very different place,
A place where faces that we knew were fairer than today
And where the birds and waters sung in quite a different way.
One dreamed of Old Virginia, and one dreamed of Illinois;
Of Michigan, or Alabam', where we were girls and boys.
In Old Kentucky was the play, but, nathless, honor bright,
'Twas Old Wisconsin that I saw through all the scenes that night.

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"Rhoda," who writes for the "woman's column" of the REPUBLICAN, is using her privilege with great unkindness. She suggests that women can ascertain if their husbands mail their letters, by placing a postal card addressed to themselves with the letter the liege lord and master takes. If the postal returns in due season, well and good; if it does, not, there is trouble ahead for the "old man."

I wish to have a few words with you, Rhoda. I cannot believe that you realize what you do. For hundreds of years unlovely man has had the proud privilege of wearing fifteen pockets. One of these is for his watch, another for his keys, another for his pocket book, another for the letters he means to answer, and doesn't, and so on through the list. The fifteenth is for the purpose of burying the letters his wife asks him to mail. Is it for your weak, feminine hand, Rhoda, to destroy this time-honored prerogative? Never! That is, hardly ever. Let the pockets alone, and your bloomers shall be sacred. Otherwise—

Again, Rhoda, can you not see that the postoffice might burn? In this event, unjust suspicion would be cast upon your loving husband. Suppose a case: Suppose that your husband should inadvertently forget, and mail some letters (with the felonious postal) you gave him. Suppose, then, that the postoffice should burn, the postal should not return and you should chide your hubby therefor. Could you ever forgive yourself? No, indeed; remorse would haunt you on this side of the grave and we know not how long thereafter.

If you do not now reform, Rhoda, and do differently, it will be evident to the thoughtful public that you are impervious to gilt-edged logic.

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T. E. Jones, who owns the bloodhounds, wishes me to make an announcement in his behalf. He says that one night recently his hounds, which are kept in a corral adjoining the barn, set up a tremendous baying, a thing which they are not given to doing. In the morning when he went to the barn he found on the straw a handsome sealskin cloak. Mr. Jones says that the cloak does not fit him, and so if the owner will call for it he will return it to her. Mr. Jones thinks that the woman who owns the cloak must have gone into the barn to escape from a cow or a mouse or some other ferocious animal, and while in there her gallus, or something, broke, and so she lost her nice cloak. Probably Mr. Jones is right.

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Down at R. M. Thompson's is a bicycle built for two which is calculated to give great satisfaction to a young man and his best girl. The two set side by side. It will be very popular with couples before they are married.

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I am glad that Fresno is beginning to appreciate Artist Bauer's work. The man is an artist of much ability.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN.

COMPLAINT DISMISSED.

A Mistaken Charge of Malicious Mischief.

From Thursday's Daily.

Sidney Williams appeared before a jury in Justice St. John's court yesterday to answer a charge of maliciously shooting and killing a dog on the 12th instant. Dante R. Prince appeared for the people and W. D. Tupper for the defense. As soon as the complaint had been read Attorney Prince, who had only just been notified of the case, intimated that he was counsel for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and it was under the act relating to cruelty that the defendant was to be prosecuted. Mr. Tupper said the complaint merely charged malicious mischief.

Justice St. John suggested that the complaint be amended, but Mr. Prince declined to take this course, and after a five minutes' recess, he moved that the complaint be dismissed on the ground that it was defective, the prosecution not being prepared to prove a malicious intent. The justice granted the request and dismissed the complaint. The defendant will be prosecuted for cruelty to animals. The complaining witness is Willett Gates.

CAPTIVATED THE DUDES.

Captain Parker's Colored Beauty Creates a Sensation.

From the Visalia Delta.

A colored servant girl in the employ of Captain Parker of West Point military academy, New York, who was superintendent of the Sequoia National Park in this county in 1894, created a sensation at a masquerade ball in Highland Falls. The dusky maiden, properly masked, was taken to the ball by Captain Parker's troop buglars. In the ball room she was the center of attraction. Her costume was unique, showing her shapely figure to advantage. A dozen youths followed her wherever she went. Her dancing was superb.

When the guests unmasked her identity was established and she was ordered from the ball room. She has brought suit for damages.

NEWS FROM FOWLER.

INSTALLATION OF KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OFFICERS.

The Events of a Prosperous Village Chronicled—The Athletic Club.

From Thursday's Daily.

EDITOR REPUBLICAN:—The Knights o Pythias at their hall on Monday evening installed the officers for the incoming year. District Deputy Grand Chancellor W. M. Barr of Sanger, assisted by his staff of grand officers, did the work. The Philharmonic Society opened the evening's program with a selection. Chancellor Commander Frank Lyman called the meeting to order. P. V. Chase of Oleander, acting grand master-at-arms, escorted the grand officers to their respective stations. They were H. B. Rodgers of Sanger, grand vice chancellor; Hon. Stanton L. Carter, supreme representative of this jurisdiction. The following officers were installed: Frank Lyman, P.C.; Martin Brady, C.C.; G. A. Leon, V.C.; Frank Lyman, M. of W.; A. L. Nelson, P.; Dr. D. H. Trowbridge, K. of R. & S.; T. J. Wilkins, M. of E.; A. Albrecht, M. of F.; Fred Sloan, M. at A.; F. W. Wilkins, I. G.; P. V. Chase, O.G.

Music was interspersed as follows during the installation: Miss Nora Manley, piano solo; F. W. Fuller, piano; song by the Sanger Male Quartet, Miss Bowen at the piano.

Hon. Stanton L. Carter delivered an address, giving the origin, history and purposes of the order, and concluded by reciting a poem suited to the occasion, written by himself.

Rev. Bowman preached in the U. P. church Sunday.

The weeds in some of our church yards might be removed and add to the appearance.

The bridges will, of course, be repaired by our canal companies in the future.

The F.I.A. ladies anticipate a concert from the Philharmonic society. What's the matter, folks? Why not give a benefit for the reading room?

Miss Eunice Jackson is in Fresno taking lessons in elocution.

F. W. Fuller, nephew of B. E. Hutchinson, is out here from the east and is said to be a very fine musician, a graduate from Chicago conservatory of music.

About thirteen of the Foresters from Fowler and Oleander visited Kingsburg to take the side degree. Dr. David Cannon and Constable Charles Ochs were among the visitors.

Will Mitchell, formerly of Fowler, came over from Sanger on business yesterday. Ernest Dickey accompanied him.

The party at Mr. Simpson's was a very pleasant affair last Tuesday.

Miss Lila Lilburn gave a surprise party last Saturday at her house. There were singing and games, but no dancing.

The Literary society is being revived. Turn out and attend on Thursday evening and help organize.

Frank Bennett is making additions to his residence north of town.

Miss McCormick, sister to Mrs. Dr. Trowbridge, is stopping at the latter's home.

The Fowler drug store, Ed Gower proprietor, has received a new coat of paint on the front, on the outside; also the postoffice building, where Postmaster Thompson and Deputy Peep Window Roy Giffen stops. The appearance is much more attractive to the eye. Our other druggists will be obliged to paint if they keep up to date.

A. C. Palmer has built a nice new barn on the Johns property where H. W. Shafer resides.

The athletes of Fowler have issued a call for a meeting and if possible arrange for a celebration for February 22d. The football team is scouting and I guess they'll tackle Fresno's champions before long. They are the stuff to make a winning game.

Wheat and barley is peeping through the ground very slowly.

What has become of the Y.P.S.C.E. union services? BILLY MCCARTHY.

Ah Sin's Examination.

The examination of Ah Sin on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon was begun in Justice St. John's court yesterday. Deputy District Attorney G. C. Freman, assisted by W. D. Crichton, conducted the prosecution, while J. H. Collins and W. D. Tupper appeared for the defendant. Sin is the Chinaman who was arrested by Special Officer Parker for flourishing a pistol at a crowd of Chinese. Parker had a lively time in arresting Sin, who would have got away from the officer but for the timely arrival of Policeman R. P. Russell. The Chinaman's examination will be resumed today.

Fresno grown olives hold their own in the market.

THE SUPERVISORS.

DECISION ON THE COUNTY HOSPITAL DRUG SUPPLIES.

The District Attorney is Asked for an Opinion in the Vincent-Hoxie Case.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The principal matter before the supervisors yesterday was the postponed consideration of bids for supplying drugs to the county hospital for the coming year. The three competitors were Buker & Colson, G. H. Monroe, and Webster Brothers. In the absence of Deputy Clerk Johnson the records were kept for the day by Dave Cosgrave.

There was a considerable amount of delay in passing on the bids, the question being whether the result should be arrived at from points, or from the lowest general average price on a selected list of drugs. After discussion, all previous motions and amendment were canceled, and on motion of Sayre it was decided to make the award to the lowest bidder on a selected list. This gave the contract to Buker & Colson, the figures being as follows: G. H. Monroe, $501.82; Webster Brothers, $548.31; Buker & Colson, $391.88. The allowance for filling prescriptions was fixed at 40 cents.

On motion of Letcher, seconded by Sayre, the sum of $2000 was apportioned to each road district, the amount to be withdrawn from the general road fund.

The District Attorney was requested to furnish an opinion as to whether Assessor Vincent or Surveyor Hoxie is the proper person to prepare the block books in use in the assessor's office.

Under Sheriff Berry appeared before the board in reference to a claim by Dr. St. George Hopkins for taking a child to the Home for the Feeble Minded at Glen Ellen, Sonoma county. Mr. Berry explained that the child is the son of Dr. Hopkins and was committed by the superior court of this county. The sheriff had intrusted Dr. Hopkins with the care of the child on the way to the asylum, and he was virtually acting as a deputy sheriff.

THE MARTIN MEETINGS.

Large Congregation at the Adventist Church.

Another large audience assembled at the Adventist church Monday and again last night to hear Evangelist S. M. Martin of the Christian church. A searching and highly interesting discourse was delivered on the subject of "Christian Soldiers," from the text, "Endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ."

The speaker said that the principle involved is one common to all valuable acquisitions. Even the inanimate things we use come to be prized for their use and service. Our love for persons is based on the same principle. The hardship borne for us by others is the basis of our appreciation of them. So it is that Christ wishing to lift us into the highest realm of appreciation, lays on us the hardship of service.

The interest is growing each night, and all signs point to a wonderful revival. It is said that Mr. Martin's converts frequently reach into the hundreds at a single meeting. All should hear him.

AN ARMENIAN DRAMA.

The Tragedy of "Arshag" Presented at Their Hall.

On Monday evening the Armenians of Fresno and vicinity assembled at their hall on F street to witness the presentation of a play in their language and representing scenes in the history of their native country. It deals with the rebellion of the Armenians against the rule of Persia, and it is said that the drama is one which appeals to the patriotism of the Armenians, and is popular with them.

The hall bore evidence of careful preparation. The stage and scenery were very artistic, the brush of Mr. Patigan, the artist, having been brought to bear in the beautiful drop curtain and other scenic effects.

Before the curtain went up Rev. A. J. Melchonian, arose and made the request that the audience should not applaud during the performance, on account of it being a very sorrowful period for their friends and relatives in Armenia, for whose benefit the performance was given.

Court Notes.

The following business was transacted in the several departments of the superior court yesterday:

BEFORE JUDGE RISLEY, DEPARTMENT 1.

F. F. Letcher vs. H. E. Barnum; the motion of the plaintiff to dismiss the defendant's proposed motion for a new trial is denied; the clerk is ordered to issue an execution if demanded, notwithstanding a motion for a new trial has been filed.

J. H. Sayre vs. J. I. Necker; motion of the plaintiff to file an amended and supplemental complaint is granted.

Alice Bolinger vs. John F. Bolinger; demurrer to complaint overruled and ten days to answer; demurrer to cross-complaint is sustained, and ten days to answer.

Robert Ballour vs. the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company; case continued for further testimony.

BEFORE JUDGE WEBB, DEPARTMENT 3.

Canadian and American Mortgage and Trust Company vs. John Storer; judgment for plaintiff.

An Unpunished Crime.

From the San Francisco Report.

Carnagie has furnished the navy with more rotten armor plates. The test shows that the plates are the worst that the naval department has ever received from any firm. We believe that some of the United States cruisers now in commission are armed with Carnegie plates.—*Stockton Mail.*

The *Mail* has been correctly informed. Some of Carnegie's rotten plates are known to be on the Monterey. The position is known and all about them is known. They are full of blowholes, and a shot would pass clean through them. But Carnegie has pull enough in the navy department to prevent any action with regard to them. It is quite fair to assume that the Monterey is not the only vessel of the new navy that has rotten plates upon it.

The Senator and His Paper.

From the Kern County Californian.

Senator Goucher intends to start a newspaper in Fresno. It is to be a straightout Democratic paper, and is "to tell the truth." Those who are acquainted with the Senator's sledge-hammer style trust that he has his life insured for a large amount, and that he has a plot in the new Fresno cemetery set aside for him.

Election of Officers.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fresno Gas and Electric Light Company was held yesterday. The old board of directors was re-elected. This board then elected the following officers: President, Lewis Leach; vice president, Louis Einstein; secretary, E. C. White; treasurer, Farmers' bank.

Police Officer Anderson's foot has recovered from the wound received by coming in contact with a woodchopping axe. Gus is on duty at the headquarters again.

LETTER FROM CARUTHERS.

Personal Mention and Items of Local Interest.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Miss Daisy Browne returned to her home in Garfield last Saturday.

D. W. Smith made a business trip to Fresno last Saturday.

B. M. Trautwein made a business trip to the city, and also attended the State Teachers' Association at Oakland during vacation. Joel Smith of Eschol, Professor Couch of Selma, Miss Boynton of Malaga and Miss Auna Buckley of Jefferson attended the association.

The Chicago Sunday school under the management of Mrs. Voorhees is a success. The school convenes at 11 o'clock every Sunday. Friends and visitors are always welcome.

John Brown of Chicago has leased 2500 acres of grain land near Centerville and will move there soon.

Mrs. Ferguson of South Dakota is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jones near Chicago. She is a relative of Mrs. Jones.

Thieves are making their appearance in our neighborhood again. John Crawford had a horse stolen and another party had a saddle taken.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Willis of Fresno called on D. W. Smith and family Sunday.

Mrs. Theo Ferguson and daughters Cleo and Arminta are visiting grandpa Ferguson of Easton.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams went to see Mrs. Adams' mother, Mrs. George Forsyth, today. She is very poorly now. Mr. Adams' father in Fresno is very sick also. SANCHO.

A HUMAN WRETCH.

A Tularean Who Tried to Lure an Innocent Woman to Ruin.

The Visalia *Times* says that one day last week a young lady arrived in Tulare from the east. She was an entire stranger and had been led to come out here through corresponding with a man by the name of Funk. He had promised in his letters to marry her if she'd come out to California, but when she appeared he went back on his word and gave as an excuse that he had no money.

The wretch then proposed to the poor, friendless girl that she "go on the town," but to the credit of several of the members of the disreputable part of Tulare city, be it said, they strongly objected to this action of Funk's. Two of the women at once took the friendless girl to Selma. Funk and another man accompanied them there. The four were arrested as soon as they arrived.

In answer to a communication Justice E. H. Tucker of Selma says concerning this case:

DEAR SIR:—Answering yours of the 9th will say that the four persons referred to are now under arrest and will be tried or examined in my court tomorrow. If you can furnish me any evidence by letter or otherwise tending to show this man Funk's criminality in the matter, I hope you will kindly do so by the first train tomorrow. His victim, the young girl, is now in the hands of Christian friends who will assist her to return to her relatives. Yours truly,

E. H. TUCKER.

SHADOW AND SHEEN.

The Capers of One of the Arc Lamps of Fresno.

One of the oldest books in the world expresses the sentiment that when a candle is lighted it is not placed under a bushel. If the author of that proverb had been acquainted with the electric light at the corner of Fresno and N streets the sentence might have read as follows: "It is poor policy to hang an arc lamp so the shadow of the side piece falls on the street and darkens it for three blocks."

For a month past the lamp by the mill has done little good for N street toward the north. The lamp hangs in such a way that the side piece casts a shadow on the street as far as Tuolumne, and leaves it dark, while the blocks on either side are fairly well lighted. If the lamp were turned partly round, this shadow would fall elsewhere, and N street would receive some benefit.

It might be suggested, incidentally, that there is room for improvement in arc lamps. As these in Fresno are constructed, the two side pieces always cast broad black shadows somewhere, and when these fall along streets, they destroy much of the lamp's usefulness. The side pieces might be made smaller, and shaped like knife blades with the edge toward the lamp. If made in that manner they would cast very small shadows, and would be fully as strong.

A GAME LAW.

It is of Interest to Professional Hunters.

This is the last day this season for professional hunters in regard to the shooting of certain game. The following new section, numbered 626, *i*, to the penal code, will be read with interest by them:

"Every cold-storage company, and every person keeping a cold-storage warehouse, tavern, hotel, restaurant or eating-house, and every marketman or other person, who shall buy, sell, expose or offer for sale in this state any quail, bobwhite, partridge, grouse, dove or wild duck, whether taken or killed in the state of California, or shipped into the state from any other state, territory or foreign country, except between the 15th day of November and the 15th day of January, of the following year, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

It should be understood that this law does not forbid citizens from indulging in the sport with the gun. It only prohibits hunting for the market.

ATHLETIC CLUB MATTERS.

Arrangements for the Ladies' Auxiliary in Progress.

The entertainment to be held at the Athletic hall next Saturday evening will be given as a special attraction for ladies. It is the purpose of President Sherwood to make the club popular with the public on account of the high order of entertainments given.

The organization of a ladies' auxiliary to the regular club is expected to take place in a short time. The interest in athletic matters is growing in Fresno and an era of prosperity for the club is believed to be at hand.

POPULAR BOND LOAN.

The Bank of Central California Subscribes $25,000.

Another Fresno bank has come forward with a substantial subscription to the proposed popular loan on government bonds. The Bank of Central California offers to take at least $25,000 of the bonds. A telegram to this effect has been sent to the New York *World* in answer to the requests sent by that paper to all the banks in the country for such offers.

Fresno, therefore, comes to the front with $100,000 so far, for the bond issue, the following being the subscriptions: Bank of Central California, $25,000; Farmers' Bank, $50,000; First National, $25,000.

Opening Another's Letters.

Deputy United States Marshal Bart Alford yesterday arrested an Italian named Frank Petrantonio on a charge of opening mail addressed to another. The complainant is Rosario DeJoy. It appears that DeJoy's mail had been coming to Petrantonio's house, and while the complainant was away for a short time Petrantonio opened letters which arrived during his absence.

WANTED IN STOCKTON

BRITTEN LOOTED A SHOW WINDOW IN THAT PLACE.

He Confesses the Crime to Deputy Sheriff Timmins—Stolen Jewelry Recovered.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The capture by Officers Matheson and Smith of August Britten in the act of breaking into the show window of H. C. Warner's jewelry store a few nights ago, proved to be an important one.

Yesterday Britten confessed to Deputy Sheriff Timmins that he had looted a show window of a jewelry store in Stockton in the same manner he had attempted here. He took the officer to the place where the stolen jewelry was, and it was recovered.

The sheriff's office had received a letter from Sheriff Cunningham of Stockton giving a description of the jewelry stolen in that place. The letter stated that the burglar had evidently cut his hand on the glass of the window, as drops of blood were seen at the place.

When Britten was arrested in this city Deputy Sheriff Timmins thought that he might be the man. The officer had a talk with him and noticed that his hand was cut. He asked Britten if he had just arrived from Stockton, and the prisoner replied that such was the case. He had been visiting the insane asylum, he said, and in explanation of the sore on the hand, said that he had cut it in a window while scuffling with a lunatic who had set upon him.

The deputy sheriff let matters rest at this for a couple of days. Yesterday he took Britten out of his cell and had a quiet talk with him.

The officer called attention to the fact that the prisoner's statement that he had visited the asylum must be untrue, as no visitors are allowed among the lunatics. After more questioning Timmins told Britten the best he could do was to confess.

He demurred but finally said: "You've got the cinch on me here and I may as well give it all away. Yes; I committed the Stockton burglary."

He told where the stolen jewelry could be found. Timmins took Britten with him and they drove to a house in Belmont addition and there in a trunk the jewelry was found.

The value of the stolen articles is estimated at $200.

FARMER'S ALLIANCE.

The Quarterly Meeting Held at Lone Star.

The quarterly meeting of the county Farmer's Alliance was held at Lone Star last Saturday, and an entertaining program was rendered. There was a thorough discussion of "Co-operation," after which the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Fresno county F. A. and I. U. elect a committee whose duties shall be to take such steps as necessary, form plans, etc., and to immediately go into a co-operative system of trade; that said committee shall consist of five persons who are in hearty accord with the principles of such system.

Resolved, That we, the Fresno county F. A. and I. U. do most earnestly endorse the work of the grand jury in unearthing and bringing to light a gross negligence and corruption in the affairs of our county government and, further, we bid them God speed in their work.

The following temporary committee was then elected: H. P. Johnson, I. H. Wash, J. H. Ambrose, Thos. Williamson and J. D. Boyd.

This committee will now proceed to inquire into the best method of co-operation, formulate plans and by-laws, call a convention where their work and plans will be submitted for final action and ratification and also elect a permanent board of directors.

The present committee will have important work and will need the earnest support and sympathy of all friends of the co-operative movement.

MRS. MILLER WAS ANGRY.

Called the Police and Got Arrested Herself.

Mrs. Kate Miller, who before her recent marriage was known as Mrs. Kate Mitchell, was yesterday arrested on complaint of Policeman Henry Russell on a charge of disturbing the peace. The warrant of arrest was placed in the hands of Officer Antone George and after some difficulty he arrived in court with the defendant. She entered a plea of not guilty and the case was set down for Friday.

Mrs. Miller keeps a lodging house on Front street, styled the "New Park." Early yesterday morning she startled the town by going out on her back porch and vigorously calling for the police. Officers Crutcher, Henry Russell and Outbirth responded. Mrs. Miller and her husband had been entertaining a couple of visitors, and the jug had been uncorked rather oftener than was good for the peace of the community. Mrs. Miller's temper had been aroused. She became angry at her husband and the visitors and therefore called for the police. These affairs have happened a number of times of late and Officer Russell intends to put a stop to them.

SIC TRANSIT BORDEN.

A Madera County Town That is Passing Into Oblivion.

The glory of Borden is departing. It has stood the storms and calms of many years; has shared prosperity and bowed to adversity; and its days are now numbered. In a short time the people who know it will know it no more forever. The postoffice authorities have notified Postmaster Griffin at Madera that the Borden office has been discontinued. Persons who received their mail there will in the future be served from the Madera office.

Borden was one of the first towns founded in this part of the valley. It was an agricultural center in the early days, and even yet a large acreage of grain is sown in the vicinity. But other towns, especially Madera, have taken its trade, and the town has been on the decline many years. The discontinuing of the postoffice will hasten the final obliteration of Borden.

COWAN-DUNCAN.

Two Well Known Young Fresno People Married.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Duncan, in Duncan's addition, Frank Cowan and Miss Ella Duncan were united in marriage yesterday morning. Both are well known and popular young people of this city. The groom is a son of S. F. Cowan, proprietor of the Cowan house.

The newly married couple left on the train immediately after the ceremony on a wedding tour to the coast. They will return in a week or two and make their permanent home in this city.

Mrs. Snow's Birthday Party.

Mrs. Dr. H. E. Snow celebrated her birthday anniversary yesterday by a little party held at the home of her mother, Mrs. Donahoo. The afternoon was passed with songs and music, followed by a repast. Those present were: Mrs. J. F. Bedford, Mrs. W. D. Weaver, Mrs. Will S. Scott, Mrs. T. W. Patterson, Mrs. Donahoo, Mrs. W. C. Guard and Miss Cora Donahoo.

PERSONAL.

From Wednesday's Daily.

W. B. DePew of Sanger is in town.

H. F. Berry was up from Selma yesterday.

Clarance Heald returned last night from a trip to Oakland.

E. G. Chaddock went to San Francisco on this morning's early train.

A. M. Mugler of Reedley was among the visitors in the county seat yesterday.

W. D. Mitchell and Ernest Dickie were up from Sanger last evening to see the show.

Dr. W. R. Prather, from Adams Springs, Lake county, is visiting relatives in Fresno.

Miss Grace Tregloan of Amador city is visiting here, the guest of Miss Ellazena Byxbee.

Constable Jack Irvine of Sanger is in town. He has about recovered from a longe siege of rheumatism.

Mrs. John McBean of Washington, Neveda county, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McBean of this city.

W. D. Rowler and A. J. Yorke of Fowler leave this morning for their mine on the upper San Joaquin.

Arthur Machen went to Byron Springs yesterday. He has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Dr. A. B. Cowan came up from Traver yesterday to attend the wedding of his brother, Frank Cowan, to Miss Ella Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hedrick arrived in Fresno Monday night, and will go to housekeeping at once. They will live on Inyo near K street.

Among the Fresno people who are at present sojourning in San Francisco are John D. Gray, R. E. Ollman and Colonel H. Trevelyan.

Among the Fowlerites up to see "In Old Kentucky" were Miss Mattie Donahoo, Miss Sadie Simpson, Howard A. Harris, Fred Nelson, A. L. Nelson and Nolan Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Forman of San Francisco are spending a few days in Fresno. Mr. Forman is a member of the firm of Balfour, Guthrie & Co., and has large interests in this county.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE.

An Enjoyable Dance Given by Rebekahs.

Friendship Rebekah lodge, No. 211, which was recently organized in this city, gave its first dance at DeWitt hall last evening. There was a large attendance and the ladies have reason to feel proud of their first open social. Dancing was the main feature and with Miss Genevieve Swain at the piano this was indulged in with spirit. During the evening a lunch was served. Mr. Smith of Lone Star gave a recitation.

The committee which had charge of the arrangements consisted of Mrs. Ida Hart, Mrs. Inglebright, Mrs. William Mawbinney, Miss Ollie Knowlton, Miss Jesse Grant and B. F. Hite. Danville Decker and Charles Doyle had charge of the floor.

THE THIRD TIME.

The County Bookbinding Job Being Experted.

From Thursday's Daily.

The Armstrong & De Guerre bookbinding job for the county will have enough expert reports made on it if the present rate is kept up a little longer. The third is now being made. The first was by a committee of the grand jury, and found that the county had been jobbed to the amount of $1200. The next was by a committee of the supervisors, and found that the county had not been jobbed at all, or very little. The present is being made by a grand jury committee consisting of T. J. Ockenden and W. H. McKenzie, assisted by a bookbinder from San Francisco.

The books are taken from the shelves, one by one, and each is carefully examined. The work will probably be finished today.

DANGEROUSLY ILL.

Mrs. Wm. Hughes Lying at the Point of Death.

Word comes from Madera of the dangerous illness of Mrs. Wm. Hughes, formerly Miss Tillie Bernhard of this city. She has been sick for more than a week with some trouble with the brain and for the past four days has been in an unconscious condition except for a few moments at a time at long intervals. Her death has been looked for hourly during the past twenty-four hours.

Court Notes.

The following business was transacted in the several departments of the superior court yesterday:

BEFORE JUDGE WEBB, DEPARTMENT 3.

People vs. T. M. Martin; pleads not guilty; demurs to information; demurrer overruled; trial set for February 10th.

Snow vs. Wells; motion for judgment on pleadings denied.

Nudd vs. Hobbs; trial set for February 12th.

BEFORE JUDGE RISLEY, DEPARTMENT 1.

William Main vs. the I Street Improvement Company; submitted on briefs.

Fred Banta vs. Arnold Wink et al.; the taking of deposition continued till February 22d.

Robert Balfour vs. Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company; continued.

Masonic Banquet at Sanger.

The Masons of Sanger Lodge N. 316 will confer the third degree of Masonry and install the newly elected officers for the ensuing year on Saturday evening next, after which a banquet will be provided by the ladies on the lower floor of the Depew opera house. The present worshipful master, J. H. Sayre, extends a cordial invitation to visiting Master Masons. The following newly elected officers will be installed: Douglas Balfour, W.M.; C. Southworth, S.W.; D. T. Rogers, J.W.; L. McLaughlin, treasurer; J. O. Pottle, secretary.

Death of an Old Resident.

Bernard Statz, for many years a prominent resident of Buchanan, died at the county hospital yesterday morning from the effects of a carbuncle on the back. He had been living at the Cowan House in Fresno for the past year, but went to the hospital for treatment a few days before his death. He was a German by birth, but had lived in California from early days and was well and favorably known in Buchanan where he kept a store for many years. He will be buried today from Stephens & Bean's undertaking parlors.

Trial Jurors Drawn.

In Judge Webb's department yesterday the following trial jurors were drawn to appear in court February 4th:

J. G. Ashman, Alex Noble, W. McHaley, Douglass Armstrong, E. J. Skelton, D. N. Mullins, W. Bliss, D. W. Lewis, S. W. Renfro, N. L. Allen, H. F. Hedges, H. L. Yost, Charles Forister, W. B. Wilson, J. J. Miley, William Wright, J. F. Todd, John Potter, H. Babbs, J. P. Neil, J. J. Falloon, G. Myers, Parris Allen, J. W. Todd.

Divorce Decree Signed.

Judge Carter yesterday signed the decree for divorce in the suit of Leon Hart against Hannah Hart. It was in accordance with rulings already made and published. Mrs. Hart has the privilege of the company of the child two days in the week, but must not take him from Fresno, nor interfere with his attendance at school.

FRENCH FASHIONS FREE

Illustrated by 6 dolls with 21 dresses, 6 suits, 22 hats, and 35 other articles, furnishing the ladies with the latest French fashions as well as the children with an amusing toy.

3 Ways to Get These Fashions. { Send 6 Coupons, or Send 1 Coupon and 6 cents, or Send 10 Cents without any coupon, to

Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Co., Durham, N. C., and the Fashion Dolls will be sent you postpaid. You will find one coupon inside each 2 oz. bag, and two coupons inside each 4 oz. bag of

BLACKWELL'S GENUINE DURHAM TOBACCO.

Buy a bag of this Celebrated Smoking Tobacco, and read the coupon, which gives a list of other premiums and how to get them.

2 CENT STAMPS ACCEPTED.

REST FOR THE WEARY

THE SUPERVISORS' OPINION OF THE ROCK PILE.

There Must be an Entire Change or it Will be Abolished.

From Thursday's Daily.

Supervisor Letcher came very near carrying his motion for the abolition of the stone corral or rock pile yesterday. He lacked only one vote and the general sentiment of the board was that the rock pile, as at present operated, is simply a recreation ground for the chaingang.

Some time ago the railroad company ran a new switch through the corral and its previous prison-like aspect was changed. With the view of making the rock pile as objectionable as possible to the tramps the supervisors passed a resolution that the latter, when taken to the pile in the morning, should be kept there continuously till evening, not getting a meal till they had earned it. For some unexplained reason the order became a dead letter, and was never carried out. The chaingang could be seen any morning swinging merrily along to the corral at half-past eight, the boys chewing tobacco, or smoking cigarettes and cigar ends picked up en route. By half-past eleven they were on their way back to jail with a square meal awaiting them; and a short return trip in the afternoon completed their days' work.

Letcher did not mince matters in making his motion. He said that before Chairman Wickersham went away the proposition to abolish the rock pile had been brought up. It is a heavy expense for which the county receives nothing. The stone corral may almost be called a play ground. The stone costs 50 cents a ton and the freight $1 a ton. The thing has not accomplished the end it was intended to accomplish, and the best proposition is to do away with it. Letcher then moved that the order made by this board establishing the stone yard for tramp labor be rescinded, to take effect from the passage of this motion.

Rose seconded the motion for the purpose of bringing the matter before the board, and spoke briefly in support of Letcher's views.

Sayre thought the rock pile has been a great benefit to the town and expressed regret that the order of the board as to continuous labor has not been complied with. In these times if it were not for the rock pile the jail would be full of prisoners.

Letcher offered to prove that so far from acting as a deterrent, the county records would show that tramps and vagrants have never been more numerous. The present system of working the tramps is no punishment at all.

Wickersham, who had relinquished the chair to Garrett early in the day, said there is no question that under the present system very little work is got out of the tramps. He was not prepared, however, to vote for the abolition of the rock-pile. He thought something might be accomplished if a committee of two would wait on the railroad company and the sheriff to see what could be done toward making the rock-pile a terror to tramps.

Garrett was in favor of retaining the rock-pile, under a strict administration of the labor rule.

On a vote being taken in favor of abolishing the rock-pile Letcher and Rose voted in the affirmative, and Garrett, Wickersham and Sayre in the negative. The motion was therefore lost.

Wickersham moved and Rose seconded that Garrett and Sayre be appointed a committee of two to confer with the railroad company and sheriff in view of obtaining a satisfactory understanding on the working of the chain gang at the rock pile. The motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor Letcher was, by a clerical error, stated to have asked for the $2000 apportionment made to each road district on Tuesday. As a matter of record Mr. Letcher asked for $3000 for his own district only, and the allowance referred to was made in all the districts on a substitute motion by Rose.

A telephone has been put in at the Supervisors' office. It is a great convenience, as there has been no other on the same floor since the court house fire.

BONDSMEN SUED.

Constable Albin is Made Party Defendant.

Suit was brought in the superior court yesterday against Constable J. N. Albin and his bondsmen, George McCoullough and T. L. Reel, to recover $2000. The plaintiff is A. T. Berechig, and he is represented by E. A. Williams and Mark Walser.

The grounds on which the suit is brought are as follows: In the case of Ah Tie against S. Lehmann judgment was given against the defendant, and attachment was levied on two Nagle boilers, one Nagle engine, one sticker and one re-saw, worth $1500. Mr. Berechig claims that the property was his, and that he served written notice of that fact on Constable Albin at the time of the attachment. He now asks for $1500, the value of the property, and for $500 attorney fee.

Each Squealed on the Other.

Michael Burns had his examination before United States Court Commissioner Prince yesterday on a charge of inclosing public lands. The case was dismissed.

Oliver Dahl was yesterday arrested for cutting timber on government land. Dahl and Burns had been utilizing the same piece of government land, but a disagreement arose. Hence, they were both arrested.

Congratulations Still in Order.

From the Hanford Democrat.

Fresno is to be congratulated on the success of her citrus fair. It will do much to advertise that section, not only abroad but at home. The fact is our own people are not aware of all the things that can be grown in our soil.

DEATH OF MRS. W. M. HUGHES

She Passed Away at Her Home in Madera.

The illness of Mrs. W. M. Hughes of Madera, which was noted in yesterday's REPUBLICAN, resulted in death at 4.45 yesterday morning. She was suddenly taken ill a week from last Tuesday with dropsy of the brain and for four days prior to death was unconscious. Her loss will be mourned by many friends in Fresno and vicinity.

She was 32 years of age and a native of Mariposa county. She was the daughter of George H. Bernhard, a pioneer of Fresno who died several years ago. She was married in 1881, and leaves a son 13 years old. She was a sister of Mrs. J. W. Coffman, Mrs. T. W. Patterson, Miss Annie Bernhard, E. F. Bernhard, George H. Bernhard, and Joe P. Bernhard, all of Fresno. All were at the bedside when she passed away. Joe Bernhard, who is attending the Stanford University, came down on the train night before last in response to a telegram. The train came by the West Side route and consequently he had to come to this city and go to Madera by team. He arrived there an hour before his sister breathed her last.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the parlors of the Hughes hotel. Rev. W. H. Martin of this city and Rev. Findley of Madera will officiate. The services will be conducted at the grave by Raisina Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of which Mrs. Hughes was a member and past matron.

JENSEN-BAIRD.

Two Young People Joined in Bonds of Matrimony.

Chris P. Jensen and Miss Isabella M. Baird were united in marriage last evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Baird, on Van Ness avenue in Froelich addition. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. D. Seward of the First Presbyterian church. A number of relatives and intimate friends of the contracting couple were present. The ceremony was followed by an elegant supper. The happy couple were the recipients of numerous presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen left on this morning's train at 3 o'clock for San Francisco where they will make their home. The bride is a most estimable young lady and is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Baird. She has resided with her parents in this county since childhood. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Jensen, who are well known in Fresno and vicinity, being among the pioneer settlers in Central colony. Jensen, Jr., is a civil engineer by profession, but is at present connected with a mercantile house in San Francisco.

The REPUBLICAN joins with the many friends of the newly wedded couple in extending congratulations.

PERSONAL.

Maurice Fowler, a lawyer of Visalia is in Fresno.

A. Harris came up from Fowler yesterday.

T. R. Tilley, traveling passenger agent of the Union Pacific overland system, is in Fresno, visiting Under Sheriff F. T. Berry.

F. M. Chittenden returned yesterday from a business trip to San Francisco.

W. H. Ingalls is among the Fresnans in San Francisco.

Sheriff Westfall and T. B. Redfield of Madera are in town.

J. J. Poston was over from Sanger yesterday.

I. Frank Johnson of San Leandro, a nephew of Thomas E. Hughes, is visiting in this city.

C. H. Jorden of Pasadena is registered at the Hughes.

Judge George A. Nourse went to San Francisco on this morning's train.

A GREAT SALE.

The January Clearance at the White Front Stores.

In this week's REPUBLICAN the White Front Stores publish part of their January clearance sale price list, which it will pay readers to consult. The sale is the greatest on record for bargains, and is now in full blast at 1027, 1029, 1031, I street.

Notice.

All warrants on road district No. 2, registered prior to November 21, 1895, will be paid upon presentation. Interest ceases from this date.

J. E. WHITSON,
County Treasurer.

Fresno, Cal., January 14, 1896.

The Electric Company was fortunate in getting most of the heavy machinery hauled to the power house before the rain softened the mountain roads.

Karl's Clover Root, the great blood purifier, gives freshness and clearness to the complexion and cures constipation; 25c, 50c, $1. Sold by Webster Bros.

Mrs. T. S. Hawkins, Chattanooga, Tenn., says: "Shiloh's Vitalizer 'saved my life.' I consider it the best remedy for a debilitated system I ever used." For dyspepsia, liver or kidney trouble it excels. Price, 75c. Sold by Webster Bros.

Shiloh's Cure is sold on a guarantee. It cures incipient consumption. It is the best cough cure. Only 1 cent a dose; 25c, 50c and $1.00. Sold by Webster Bros.

Delinquent Notice.

Del Rio Rey Raisin and Fig Company; location of principal place of business, Hotel Metropole, corner of Thirteenth and Jefferson streets, Oakland, Cal.

THERE IS DELINQUENT UPON THE FOLLOWING described stock on account of assessment levied on the 27th day of November, 1895, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders as follows:

Name.	No. Cer.	No. Sh.	Amt
Mrs. C. H. Larrabee.....	28	38	$190 00

And in accordance with law, and an order of the Board of Directors, made on the 27th day of November, 1895, so many shares of each parcel of such stock as may be necessary, will be sold at the office of the company, Hotel Metropole, corner of Thirteenth and Jefferson streets, in the city of Oakland, State of California, on the 1st day of February, 1896, at the hour of one o'clock p.m. of said day, to pay delinquent assessment thereon, together with the costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

A. F. CHAMBERLAIN, Secretary.

Office of Secretary, Hotel Metropole, corner of Thirteenth and Jefferson streets, Oakland, Cal. j17t2